From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Monday, September 18, 2017 2:17 PM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel; Michael Reina

Subject:

Fwd: Eruv

FYI.

Please do not respond to this email.

AM

From: "Jackson Eruv" < jacksoneruvassociation@gmail.com>

To: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Cc: "Yoni Nevenansky" <yn@weissprop.com>, "Shmuel shifrin" <shmuelshifrin@gmail.com>, "Yossi Schwarz" <yossi@atlasandstone.com>, "Moshe Heiman" <moheiman@gmail.com>, "Michael Czermak" <mczermak@platinumhealthnj.com>, "Refoel Neuman" <refoelneuman@gmail.com>, "Meir Bulman" <meirbulman@gmail.com>, "Aron Glucksman" <aron@glucksmancaterers.com>, "nechemia isbee" <nisbee88@gmail.com>, "Abe Sompo" <sompo1126@yahoo.com>, "Nathan" <njxjr@aol.com>, Bjnussbaums@gmail.com, "Dovid Ritter" <dovidritter@gmail.com>, "Yehuda Tomor" <ytomor@gmail.com>, "mordy goode" <mordygoode@gmail.com>, "Zevi Wulliger" <zeviwulliger@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 1:27:27 PM

Subject: Eruv

Dear Mrs Eden,

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Sincerely.

The Jackson Eruy Association

From: Jackson Eruv <jacksoneruvassociation@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 1:26 PM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Cc: Moshe Heiman; nechemia isbee; refoelneuman@gmail.com; Meir Bulman; Aron

Glucksman; sompo1126@yahoo.com; Yossi Schwarz; mordy Burnstein; Nathan; Bjnussbaums@gmail.com; yn@weissprop.com; Dovid Ritter; Yehuda Tomor; Zevi

Wulliger, mczermak@platinumhealthnj.com; mordy goode; Shmuel shifrin

Subject: Eruv

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Sincerely,

The Jackson Eruv Association

From:

Jackson Township Website <webmaster@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: To: Thursday, September 14, 2017 6:31 PM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject:

Jackson Township: Eruv

This is an enquiry email via http://www.jacksontwpnj.net/ from: Steven Pirutinsky <sp2813@columbia.edu>

Ken, the topic is so heated I hesitate to weigh in. Not negotiating and accommodating an eruv empowers the hardline aggressive segments of this community. A reasonable dialogue would empower the moderates and allow us to preserve our quality of life. These issues have been extensively litigated and nobody has been able to keep them out. Bend and don't break!

From: chrishope@optonline.net

Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 10:49 AM

To: Helene Schlegel

Cc: Kenneth Pieslak; Jeff Purpuro; Rob Nixon; Barry; councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject: ERUV on California Dr

Attachments: image1.JPG; Untitled attachment 00160.txt

# Good morning,

If I had to move my Basketball net then why are these wires still up on the ROW? When will then be taken down? Please forward to Councilman Bressi for some reason his email kicks back.

From:

mordyburnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, August 23, 2017 8:29 AM

To:

councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

It was nice talking to you last night. I strongly disagree with the rush to get a new law in the books and believe we should be working on this together to try to accommodate all residents if possible... one thing I took out of last night is the code in the current form does not apply as it was never updated and part i.e. the written permission part invalidates the whole code..if true all 400+ violations are null as their is no law now.

In addition I strongly disagree with the current ordinance being formed as it hurts my and thousands of other residents quality of life as it will make it harder for us to enjoy our shabbos. Such a law should not be drafted. With 3,000 residents needing a Eruv and thousands of children needing basketball hoops this law would affect thousands of residents in a negative way. There should remain a permission process which can be left to the right department. We can and should work on this together and ovoid the path I hope this doesn't go down.

From:

Phil Stilton <pstilton@shorenewsnetwork.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 15, 2017 9:51 AM

To:

'Helene Schlegel'

Cc:

'Michael Reina'; 'Ann Marie Eden'; 'Ann Updegrave'; 'Kenneth Bressi'; 'Barry Calogero';

'Scott Martin'; 'Robert Nixon'

Subject:

RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops

Just in case it was missed again.

From: Phil Stilton [mailto:pstilton@shorenewsnetwork.com]

Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 12:53 PM

To: 'Helene Schlegel'

Cc: 'Michael Reina'; 'Ann Marie Eden'; 'Ann Updegrave'; 'Kenneth Bressi'; 'Barry Calogero'; 'Scott Martin'; 'Robert Nixon'

Subject: RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops

Helene,

Hi, I'm not sure if some of the original message was not read or maybe cut off, but here it is again, please reply. I also have some follow up questions.

Will political signs in the Public ROW be enforced?

How many complaints have been issued thus far in this most recent enforcement period aug 1 to present.

- A) Eruvs
- B) Basketball hoops
- C) Other

I have been told that the Eruvs will not be removed in a show of civil disobedience to the township's enforcement, can you comment on that?

How many official complaints have been filed with the township by the public since 1/1/17 regarding this matter.

- A) Number of Eruv Complaints
- B) Number of basketball hoop complaints

I was told there was also a request to remove ALL eruvs in Jackson in lieu of a public utility eruv using existing utility poles owned by JCP&L. Does the township intend to grant that request in order to remove the inherent need for Eruv service by portions of the Jackson community?

Thanks,

Phil

Can the township please issue a clarification on its position on this eruv and basketball hoops matter?

- Why are citations being issued for both.
- Can you explain the ordinance. What IS allowed and not allowed?
- Are rolling hoops allowed for any period of time.
- Some people feel there is a war going on between basketball hoops and eruv enforcement and the kids are getting stuck in the middle.
- What is the plan for the inherent need for eruvs by the orthodox population?

Is everyone who has a hoop out getting fined? Certain areas?

Please elaborate.

From: Helene Schlegel [mailto:hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net]

**Sent:** Friday, August 11, 2017 1:37 PM

To: Phil Stilton

Cc: Michael Reina; Ann Marie Eden; Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon

Subject: Re: Eruv's and basketball hoops

Please be advised that Township ordinance § 372-8 states, "No person shall encumber or obstruct any street or public place with any article or thing whatsoever unless permission has been first obtained in writing from the Township Committee of the Township of Jackson." We are simply fairly and equitably enforcing the existing ordinance as written.

Respectfully,

Helene Schlegel, MS, MPP, CPM Business Administrator Jackson Township 95 West Veterans Hwy. Jackson, NJ 08527 732-928-1200 ext. 1210

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From: "Phil Stilton" <pstilton@shorenewsnetwork.com>

To: "Helene Schlegel" <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Michael Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Cc: "Ann Updegrave" <annieup@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Kenneth Bressi" <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Barry Calogero" <councilmancalogero@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Scott Martin"

<councilmanmartin@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Robert Nixon" <councilmannixon@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Helene Schlegel" <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Michael Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 12:42:56 PM

Subject: Eruv's and basketball hoops

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- Is everyone who has a hoop out getting fined? Certain areas?

Please elaborate.

There is much confusion circulating on social media on this and no clear answer about this township enforcement directive.

My deadline on this is Wed., but I will assume as always "no comment" in advance until I get a response.

Thanks,

-=-

Phil Stilton
Shore News Network
www.shorenewsnetwork.com
Editor, CEO
732-575-4891

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Friday, August 11, 2017 2:29 PM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel; Michael Reina

Cc:

Jean L. Cipriani Esq.

Subject:

Fwd: Basketball Hoop

FYI - please do not respond to the email.

AM

From: "Roger Pipher" <roger.pipher@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 2:36:57 PM

Subject: Basketball Hoop

I am emailing you in reference to a violation I received in the mail August 10th, 2017. I am being told that my basketball hope needs to be removed. The base is not in the street it is on my drive way. It tells me I can be fined and possibly put in jail.

This concerns me, I have had the hoop up for at least 10 years and never have had a problem. Actually just replaced it and spent a few hundred dollars on it due to my son who attends Jackson Liberty and is on the JV team uses it every day. This is not a hoop that is not used and just sits in the street. It is used everyday.

It says in the letter that I need written permission to keep my hoop.

I am emailing to request and/or find out how I go about receiving permission to keep my basketball hoop that is used daily.

Thank You in Advance for Time!

Best Regards, Roger Pipher

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Thursday, August 10, 2017 9:08 AM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel; Michael Reina

Cc:

Jean L Cipriani

Subject:

Fwd:

FYI

AM

From: "shlomo goldberg" <ravshlomogoldberg@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 9:10:01 AM

The Jackson Eruv Association applied for municipal consent to build Eruvs in Jackson. I urge you to please consider this reasonable request and consider it as soon as possible. Pushing it off will cause the residents in need of a Eruv the lack of a chance to enjoy their quality of life to its fullest. This Eruv will increase our quality of life with no harm at all to anyone else.

From:

mordyburnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 7, 2017 8:40 AM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

To: Subject:

Fix it don't enforce it

Ordinance 372-8 is extremely difficult to understand. Can you help me understand it. Is there written permission from the Council for me to leave my garbage can in the ROW? What is considered leaving something in the ROW? The reading of the ordinance seems to imply that nothing at all is "ever" allowed. Does that mean that simply to roll my basketball hoop down for a game would be problematic, as it does not specify a time rather uses the term " whatsoever" .If this is true I would like to understand how this will be enforced? Is the town is planning on hiring more code enforcement officers to constantly patrol every street in our town? Maybe the town should put out a statement explaining this ordinance as most people even after receiving a violation have no idea what it is and assume after moving it that it can still be on the row just not in the street or that they can bring it back for a game. I find this code to be faulty and should be fixed up as the enforcement of this is problematic. There are many residents who have flowers and plants in the ROW, small light fixers, and over 300 basketball hoops, is this law really enforceable and does it make sense to enforce or maybe just maybe there is something else to do about it.

Mordy

From: Sent: e belsh <belshchi@gmail.com> Wednesday, July 26, 2017 1:52 PM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

To:

I was informed by a fellow resident that a request was made for township consent for a community wide eruv. I hope you consider this and see all the god it will bring. While for the week that it is put up you may hear noise from our towns noise makers after a week people will realize that the eruv does not cause any harm to them or their property's. It is 100 % safe and not visible to the average eye. It will only increase the quality of life of so many residents and I kindly ask you to please consider this important project and its benefits. By acting now we can avoid all the unnecessary tension that some other towns have experience and together have a better and stronger Jackson.

E Beisch

From: Sent: To:	mordyburnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com> Sunday, July 16, 2017 11:37 AM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net</mordyburnstein@gmail.com>					
Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Gala	xy smartphone					
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As the summer weeks pass by I am constantly asked about the possibility of putting up a eruv to enable people to be outside on saturday and enjoy themselves together with their neighbors and children. I have been telling everyone to hold off and let's try to do it in a way that will not increase tension in our town at all. We have looked into many options and ideas and spoken to many experts from around the country and have been advised to go with the idea of utilizing the utility poles as much as possible. While it is not as ideal for many reasons, including the fact that it is very expensive, it makes the most sense and should not cause any residents harm whatsoever. After reaching out to the utility company's they have given us the advise and help how best to proceed. They have advised us that the first step is to acquire municipality consent to enable us to rent the right to use the poles. What is the best way for us to get that permission? It is clear to me that this is the best way to proceed in a way that will garenttee everyone can enjoy the quality of life that they deserve and no one feels threatened at all. I am asking for your help in this matter and look forward to working together.

Mordy Burnstein

From: Sent: mordy Burnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Monday, July 31, 2017 4:55 PM

To:

councilmanmartin@jacksontwpnj.net; Kenneth Bressi

The eruv has a significant and important role in the Orthodox Jewish community on the Sabbath and is often invisible to the eye. An eruv allows this community of faith to walk with a stroller to carry a young family to synagogue and handle similar tasks which would otherwise not be permitted on the Sabbath. We know that with an eruv, those who observe will have an increased quality of life in New Jersey.

During my time as a Councilman-at-Large in the City of Englewood, we took action, we supported the expansion of the cruv to embrace the majority of the city. Our governing body acted to keep our community inclusive, diverse, and accepting of who we are and how we pray

The recent opposition to the construction of an error in Mahwah is troubling. Our great country, at a foundational level, was created to allow for religious freedoms.

These liberties are enshrined in the Bill of Rights and these freedoms are a cornerstone of our Constitution. We should not allow a municipal ordinance to veil Anti-Semitism and be used as a tool against a community of faith.

#### Gordon M. Johnson

Englewood, July 25

The writer, a Democrat, represents the 37th District in the Assembly.

From:

mordyburnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Sent: To: Sunday, July 30, 2017 10:42 AM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject:

Good morning

Good morning. As we continue working on the technicall and legal issues involved with constructing a Eruv we are truly trying to do it in a way that is legal and will NOT create more tension in town. Obviously it is impossible to make everyone happy as some people unfortunately are never going to get over the fact that there are orthodox Jews in their neighborhood and town but I know that they are the vocal minority. I truly believe that once a legal and safe Eruv is up, after a week of realizing that it is virtually invisible and does not cause any harm to anyone, even some of those folks will calm down. As a member of the council I ask you for any advice that you can suggest to help this move along in the best way possible and if possible to have the chance to talk or sit down to discuss this important project. Working at this together can avoid a lot of noise, tension, and fighting and I think we should give this method a chance. Eruvs have been universally accepted by U.S. Presidents and various legal experts as a "normal religious accommodation" which does not cause any harm to anyone, and I ask for your help in this very important matter. Mordy 848 240 5316

From:

Michael Reina <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 25, 2017 5:18 PM

To:

Jean L. Cipriani, Esq.

Cc:

Helene Schlegel; Kenneth Bressi; Ann Updegrave

Subject:

Note Jackson is mentioned.

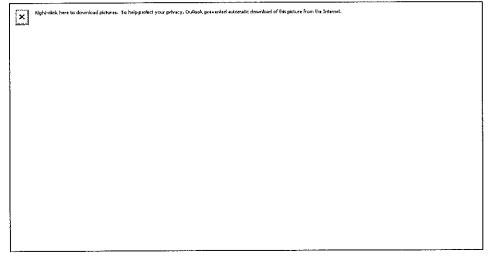
Kindly review link attached below.

Respectfully,

Michael Reina

Mayor
Jackson Township
95 West Veterans Highway
Jackson NJ 08527
Office 732-928-1200 ext.1211
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mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net

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Mahwah, NJ - VIN News Reporter Harassed At Gathering As Mahwah Residents Gear Up For Legal Battle Against New Eruv

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From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 30, 2017 9:13 AM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel: Michael Reina

Subject:

Fwd:

FYI

AM

From: "mordy Burnstein" <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

To: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net> Sent: Wednesday, May 24, 2017 7:10:47 AM

Subject: Fwd:

Hi again. With the meeting ending at 9 30 and my wife ready to kill me I had to run out. I wanted to point out the following. While I respect the rule of law. When it comes to eruvs I feel we can work something out. First of all contrary to what one speaker said tonight there is No safety issue..there has never been one that I have ever heard of . And thats after there being thousands of such poles all over the globe and also here in America. In addition with regard to the eyesore issue many people ave driven down california and not noticed where they are without being told. Yes if you look for them they are there. But you have to look. In addition I love the fact thet by my neighborhood the kids play ball in the street and are not hot potatoes on their couches. Do we really want to ban over 500 basketball hoops in this town. Quality of life tells me that a ordinance should be drawn up thar permits such things in the row as long as they can be moved if needed. Which eruvs and hoops can be as eruvs ARE NOT cemented in to the ground. In addition there are ways to build them in many ares in a manner that does not stand out for example with permission from the utility companies in a manner that most residents would not even know they are there. But again we need municipal consent and we can not do it without working together. Like I have said lets work together before this becomes a issue and not after. Recently in Toms river a eruv wads errected including a very large area and done in a way thathmost residents do not know even exists but they did it together with the township. Yes the governing body of Tomsriver worked together with the communitys to make sure everyone could enjoy the quality of life they deserve. There is only one town in this country that I know

of that has over 100 orrhodox familys on the USA that does not have a eruv. I do not nee to tell you that it is Jackson .I can get a list of probably 100 cities here in our country that have one, including Manhateen, Miami, Lad Vegas......WE want to work this out for everyone but we cant do it without you and the township helping so again I ask you to please find a time to sit down and talk and get thw ball rolling on these issues before they turn into problems. Thank you, Mordy

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On 5/19/17, Robert A Nixon <councilmannixon@jacksontwpnj.net> wrote:
> Mordy,
> Sorry for the delayed response. I have been under the weather this week and
> I will be travelling the next few days for business and family obligations.
> There is no question you care about Jackson's future and I appreciate your
> comments to date. I would suggest that a number of the comments that you
> have copied me on are best directed to the Mayor and Administration,
> especially as they relate to the enforcement of our laws or potential
> issues.
> As for social media, I am not on Facebook and never have been so I am mostly
> unaware of what is written therein. I know you are more than capable of
> correcting anything you may see as incorrect.
>
> I am sure we will see each other soon to talk. Have a great weekend.
> Rob Nixon
> Councilman
> ---- Original Message -----
> From: "mordy Burnstein" < mordyburnstein@gmail.com >
> To: "Robert A Nixon" <councilmannixon@jacksontwpnj.net>
> Sent: Friday, May 19, 2017 7:18:15 AM
> Hi do you have time to talk to talk anytime in the near future? There are a
> couple of things that must be discussed with our officials before they
> become issues ant not after. It is time for real dialogue to open up here in
> Jackson.
> Mordy
> P.S. I really do care about Jackson's future and think together we could
> make Jackson stays great
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From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Monday, May 15, 2017 10:42 AM

To:

Kenneth Bressi; Scott Martin

Subject:

Fwd: Opra Eruv

Ken and Scott,

Do you have records relative to this OPRA request. If so, please forward ASAP as the date to comply to this request is tomorrow - 5/16/17.

Ann Marie

From: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: "Kenneth Bressi" <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Scott Martin"

<councilmanmartin@jacksontwpnj.net>
Sent: Friday, May 12, 2017 3:38:25 PM

Subject: Fwd: Opra Eruv

Ken & Scott,

Checking on the status of this OPRA request. Please advise.

Thanks!

AM

From: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: "Ann Updegrave" <annieup@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Kenneth Bressi"

<councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Barry Calogero" <councilmancalogero@jacksontwpnj.net>,

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Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Kenneth Pieslak" <kpieslak@jacksontwpnj.net>

Cc: "Jean L Cipriani" <ilc@gm-law.net>

Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2017 10:12:10 AM

Subject: Re: Opra Eruv

Just an update on the status of providing the requested records. (Ann and Barry have responded).

Sincerely,

Ann Marie

From: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: "Ann Updegrave" <annieup@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Kenneth Bressi"

<councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Barry Calogero" <councilmancalogero@jacksontwpnj.net>,

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Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 9:09:13 AM

Subject: Fwd: Opra Eruv

Below please find OPRA request submitted by Mordy Burnstein. Please provide copies of records requested. Should no such record exist, please advise. Due date to comply is on or before May 16, 2017.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie

From: "mordy Burnstein" <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Friday, May 5, 2017 4:19:12 PM

Subject: Re: Opra Eruv

Dear Ann Marie Eden,

I would like to request under the O.P.R.A law any correspondences with regard to "Eruvs" and things in the right of way from the following people: Mayor Micheal Reina, Council President Kenneth J. Bressi, Vice President Ann M. Updergrave, Councilman Robert Nixon, Councilman Barry Colagero, Councilman Scott Martin, Helene Schlegel, and Kenneth Pieslak between dates 3/21/17- 4/24/17. Please send them as an email to this address.

Mordechai Burnstein 13 California Dr Jackson, NJ 08527 848-240-5316

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From:

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Sent:

Monday, August 7, 2017 4:17 PM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel; Michael Reina

Subject:

Fwd:

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Ann Marie

From: "mordyburnstein" <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Monday, August 7, 2017 4:19:40 PM

Thanks for your help. I am hoping that the application that I dropped off today for a community Eruv is processed and approved in the near future.

Mordy

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 10:04 AM

To: Cc: Christian David Kenneth Bressi

Subject:

Fwd: Opra Request - #2

**Attachments:** 

OPRA Request - AD - #2 - K. Bressi.pdf

Christian,

As per our conversation, attached is the OPRA request relative to Councilman Bressi's emails. Please conduct a search and provide copies of records applicable to the request. Due date to comply is on or before September 27, 2017.

Thanks!

AM

From: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: "Kenneth Bressi" <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 9:14:02 AM

Subject: Fwd: Opra Request - #2

Ken,

Attached please find OPRA request submitted "anonymously". Please provide copies of records requested. Due date to comply is on or before September 27, 2017. Should you require an extension to that date, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie

From: "AD" <artd4242@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2017 11:28:28 PM

Subject: Re: Opra Request

Dear Clerk Eden,

For OPRA requests submitted below and numbered 1-4 (all requests for email records), please expand the search terms to include any of the following the body or subject of emails: "eruv", "pipe", "pipes", "hoop", "hoops", "20-17", "372-8"

# Thank you - AD

# On Fri, Sep 15, 2017 at 3:03 PM, AD <a href="mailto:artd4242@gmail.com">artd4242@gmail.com</a>> wrote: Dear Clerk Eden,

Please see attached OPRA requests, submitted anonymously by electronic means. If any requires a deposit to process please let me know and I can get you a check.

Thank you - AD

From:

Michael Reina <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, September 13, 2017 4:48 PM

To:

Jean L Cipriani

Cc:

Ken Bressi; Helene Schlegel

Subject:

Re: Comment Request

Jean I prefer not to comment to any publication at this time with regards to a religious nature.

Respectfully,

Michael Reina

Mayor
Jackson Township
95 West Veterans Highway
Jackson NJ 08527
Office 732-928-1200 ext.1211
Fax 732-928-2613
mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net

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From: "Jean L Cipriani" < jlc@gm-law.net>

To: "Michael Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Ken Bressi"

<councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Helene Schlegel" <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 2:47:54 PM

Subject: Fwd: Comment Request

Jean L. Cipriani, Esq. Gilmore & Monahan, P.A. 10 Allen Street, 4th Floor P.O. Box 1540 Toms River, NJ 08754-1540

732-240-6000 (telephone) 732-244-1840 (facsimile) ilc@gm-law.net

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Rafoel Hoffman <rhoffman@hamodia.com>

**Subject: Comment Request** 

Date: September 13, 2017 at 2:44:11 PM EDT

To: 'Jean L Cipriani' < ilc@gm-law.net>

I am writing from the Hamodia newspaper.

We are working on a story regarding the Jackson town council's vote regarding objects placed on public streets and sidewalks and would very much like comment from you on a few points.

- 1. It was signaled that the township is open to further dialog on the issue of whether amendments could be made that would allow for the construction of eruvin (the plural of eruv). Is this accurate-i.e. is the township willing to meet with those who want to build eruvin and to find a way to accommodate them?
- 2. As I am sure you are aware, this ordinance has been portrayed in both Jewish and non-Jewish media as a relatively open attempt to dissuade further growth of the Orthodox Jewish population in the town. Please respond to this portrayal.
- 3. With exceptions off the table, it makes it largely impossible to legally construct eruvin of significant size. Other towns that have taken this route (most notably Tenafly and West Hampton Beach) spent a great deal of money fighting legal battles only to lose in the end. Do you feel there are significant differences between the route that Jackson is taking on these matters and those towns?
- 4. Please feel free to add any additional comment.

We would need to receive your response by 5pm to guarantee it could be included in the article as it is going to print this evening.

Thank You

In the past, we were advised to direct our questions to you on similar stories. If you prefer to respond in writing, our basic questions are below. If you prefer to speak by phone, please let us know.

Thank You

Rafael Hoffman Hamodia Newspaper
T: 718-853-9094 Ext 278
F: 718-853-9103
E: rhoffman@hamodia.com

From: Jim Bezanson <bezjc@aol.com>

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 11:13 AM

To: kpieslak@jacksontwpnj.net

Cc: hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net; clerk@jacksontwpnj.net; mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net;

Councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject: Re: Melissa Lee Dr.

Ken, thank you for your response. So it seems like you are checking the legality of it crossing the road? I have no problem with what anyone does, within the law, on their property.

Our concerns were constructing something, in what I thought were wetlands and extending private property over a public street. I look forward to hearing what the legalities are once they are determined.

It seems to me that this Eruv is a "symbolic wali". It doesn't surround our neighborhood yet it gives the Orthodox the ability to do what they want on holy days. Any way the town could argue that the placement of two poles on opposite sides of the street, on private property, without a wire crossing over the public street, could serve the same purpose, as a "symbolic wall"?

Sincerely,

Jim Bezanson

----Original Message-----

From: Kenneth Pieslak < kpieslak@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: Jim Bezanson <bezic@aol.com>

Cc: hschlegel <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>; clerk <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>; jpurpuro <jpurpuro@jacksontwpnj.net>;

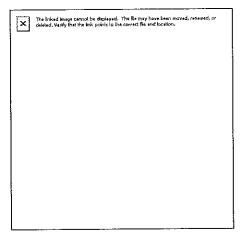
mikereina <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Tue, Sep 12, 2017 10:57 am Subject: Re: Melissa Lee Dr.

## Mr. Bezanson:

While we are clear on the Right of Way as it exists from the street in and placement of anything in the ROW, the trees the wire is attached to in this case are on private property. I have sent an email to our Legal Team inquiring as to the technical point of the ROW extending upwards. I am awaiting a response and we will take whatever appropriate actions at that time.

Kenneth J. Pieslak Code Compliance Supervisor Jackson Township 95 W. Veterans Hwy., Jackson, NJ 08527 732.928.1200 ext. 1231 732.833.0603 (fax)



From: "Jim Bezanson" < bezic@aol.com>

To: kpieslak@jacksontwpnj.net

Cc: hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net, clerk@jacksontwpnj.net, jpurpuro@jacksontwpnj.net,

mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:12:18 AM

Subject: Fwd: Melissa Lee Dr.

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Co: hschlegel <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>; mikereina <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>; jpurpuro

<ipurpuro@jacksontwpnj.net>; clerk <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Tue, Sep 5, 2017 12:55 pm

Subject: Melissa Lee Dr.

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Looking forward to your response.

Sincerely,

Jim Bezanson

732-370-0956

From:

Jim Bezanson <bezic@aol.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 12, 2017 10:33 AM

To:

jpurpuro@jacksontwpnj.net

Cc:

hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net; clerk@jacksontwpnj.net; mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net;

Councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject:

Re: Melissa Lee Dr.

Jeff, thank you for your response. They have it on a pulley. It goes up and comes down, because the poles are left standing. How would I reach your department after hours and how quickly can they respond?

I said this would happen back in the early summer when this all started. For next year, since it looks like the pool club will be closed moving forward, what can we do?

Sincerely,

Jim Bezanson

-----Original Message-----

From: Jeff Purpuro < ipurpuro@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: Jim Bezanson <bezic@aol.com>

Cc: kpieslak <kpieslak@jacksontwpnj.net>; hschlegel <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>; clerk <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>;

mikereina <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Tue, Sep 12, 2017 10:28 am

Subject: Re: Melissa Lee Dr.

Mr. B.

As I can only 'act' when the tarp is raised, I'll have no problem if you call when it's up so I can assess and move on enforcement. 732-928.1200 ext 1240

Jeffrey Purpuro Jackson Township Zoning Officer 95 W.Veterans Hwy. Jackson, NJ 08527 732.928.1200 ext. 1240 732.928.1397 (fax)

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732-370-0956

From:	mordy Burnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com></mordyburnstein@gmail.com>
Cont.	Wednesday September 6, 2017 4:26 PM

To: Kenneth Bressi

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## for opposing cruvs

As a former New Jersey resident I can't help laughing at the absurdity of the anti-eruv residents of some of the towns of N.J. While I think Mahwah is wrong, they at least have a argument that they have no residents who need a cruy.

Jackson on the other hand is a town with a growing religious population (according to multiple media sites) and to deny an eruv is truly absurd.

I live in a city completely surrounded by a cruv and I did not know that it existed until I read about what was going on in New Jersey. A cruv does not affect anyone who is not a religious user of it and the average person will never know that it exists.

I estimate that 50 million American citizens have one around them without any ill effect. To oppose it shows a complete a lack of understanding of what it is and a complete lack of understanding of what America stands for

Bob Milton

Pittsburgh, Pa.

From:

mordyburnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Sent: To: Thursday, August 17, 2017 8:03 PM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

I think the mayor of Marlboro said it well...you are not going to change the makeup of a town because of a Eruv.....and that the building of a Eruv is a quality of life issue for the religious Jewish population. In addition close to 2 dozen nj towns have them...many do not have the Orthodox population that Jackson has!!!! urge you and your colleagues to move this forward and work on it together to make sure it happens without more tension and fear mongering in our town. Please find the time to did I as this important project with your residents who want to do this the right way.

Not every town with an eruv has had a problem, and many residents probably have no idea they live in a town with one. A notable exception was Tenaffy, also in Bergen County, which had to pay \$300,000 to a Jewish group after losing a court battle over an eruv.

According to Eruv.org there are or have been close to two dozen throughout the state, including:

- Aberdeen
- Bradley Beach
- Cherry Hill
- East Brunswick
- Elizabeth/Hillside
- Englewood
- Fair Lawn
- Fort Lee
- Jersey City
- Linden
- Livingston
- Maplewood
- Marlboro
- Paramus
- Parsippany
- Passaic/Clifton
- Teaneck / Bergenfield

Israel Rivkin, chairman of the Eruv Committee in Edison and Highland Park, said "we have never had an iota of a problem." Rivkin said the Edison/Highland Park eruv was one of the first in the state, dating back to the 1970s.

Marlboro Mayor Jonathan Hornik says there was considerable discussion about the issue before a resolution was passed in 2010 supporting the construction of an eruy. He has not seen any problems.

"I can say without hesitation that there's been no issues in Marlboro Township," he said. "For us it was a quality of life issue for a certain segment of our residents."

Hornik said after testimony by members of the religious population about the importance of the eruv, he was "pleased" that they approved the plan.

"Towns that have issues, it's a little bit of a lack of education," he said. "It's a little bit of ignorance, a little bit of fear. You're certainly not going to change the makeup of your town by putting in an eruy. There's a misnomer out there than you put one up and all of a sudden you become a different town. It's just not what happens."

Englewood Councilman Michael D. Cohen, who also serves as the eastern director for the Simon Wiesenthal Center in New York, supports the right of the community to construct eruvim.

"We fully appreciate the municipalities of Mahwah and Upper Saddle River desire to protect their way of life, and we also understand that ordinances and codes already on the statue books can accomplish that generically for all people equally," he said.

"However, when the rhetoric becomes one of trying to protect a way of life through fighting a specific and reasonable religious accommodation, when protecting a way of life specifically excludes a particular grouping of people from being a part of that way of life while simultaneously properly adhering to their religious beliefs — therein lies a serious problem of discrimination."

From:

mordy Burnstein <mordyburnstein@gmail.com>

Sent:

Friday, August 11, 2017 4:47 PM

To:

Robert A Nixon; Barry Calogero; Kenneth Bressi; Ann Marie Eden; Jean L. Cipriani,

Esq.; Michael Reina

There is no safety or health or other hazard with a basketball hoop or Eruv in the Row Please let them stay

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Thursday, August 10, 2017 9:08 AM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

Schlegel; Michael Reina

Cc:

Jean L Cipriani

Subject:

Fwd:

FYI

AM

From: "shlomo goldberg" <ravshlomogoldberg@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2017 9:10:01 AM

The Jackson Eruv Association applied for municipal consent to build Eruvs in Jackson. I urge you to please consider this reasonable request and consider it as soon as possible. Pushing it off will cause the residents in need of a Eruv the lack of a chance to enjoy their quality of life to its fullest. This Eruv will increase our quality of life with no harm at all to anyone else.

From:

chaim leiner <chaimleiner1986@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 8, 2017 7:16 AM

To:

councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Dear Council President,

The Jackson Eruv Association has requested from the Council and the Mayor to receive municipal consent to rent space from the utility company's to build Eruvs in Jackson. I urge you to review and approve this reasonable request as soon as possible. Eruvs are considered reasonable accommodations and it would greatly increase my family quality of life here in Jackson.

Chaim

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 12:00 PM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon

Cc:

Jean L. Cipriani, Esq.

Subject:

Fwd: Regarding reference number 10040065/ Basketball hoop violation

Attachments:

Basketball hoop 1.JPG; basketball hoop 2.jpg

FYI - please do not respond to this email.

AM

---- Forwarded Message -----

From: "Mike Daton" <mida18@optonline.net>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 11:54:24 AM

Subject: Regarding reference number 10040065/ Basketball hoop violation

To whom it may concern,

I am writing in response to the notice of violation and order to correct document which was received this week. The violation states that the basketball hoop on my property must be removed from the right of way. The basketball hoop in question is securely anchored in the ground with concrete. It is anchored in the grass portion of my front yard. The location of the anchored pole is no closer to the street than any mailbox or utility pole.

I am writing to request permission to maintain the current location of the basketball net. This net does not interfere with right of way, including snow removal, garbage and recycling collection, driving or parking of any vehicles. My property is located on a cul-de-sac adjacent to a retention basin; wherein the portion of the street has a "No Parking Sign". The location does not interfere with pedestrian traffic, as there are no sidewalks on this side of the street. Please see the attached pictures for reference.

I appreciate any consideration for the approval to maintain our recreational basketball net location that you may be able to provide.

Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours, Michael Daton 7 Meadowlark Court Jackson, NJ 08527 (732) 928-0989

From:

shlomo goldberg <ravshlomogoldberg@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, August 22, 2017 7:38 AM

To:

councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Subject:

fix it differently

Dear Mr Bressi,

I am writing to about ordinance 20-17. As a resident of Jackson I am deeply troubled. Why is the township cracking down on basketball hoops and Eruvs? Do either one pose any harm to our town? Do either one pose a safety hazard to our town?

Children should be allowed to play ball in Jackson. Mothers and fathers should be able to play outside with their children on Saturday. Has their ever been a hoop on the row that caused harm to anyone (the street is a different story). In fact I believe it is a beautiful sight to see children being children and find it very sad that over 250 people got violations for having their basketball hoops in the row.

While I understand the reason why you are enforcing this I disagree and am asking you to reconsider. Eruvs increase a religious Jews quality of life and cause no harm to anyone. With over 200 municipality's in our great nation with eruvs I find it hard to believe that due to a couple of loud folks the whole town should suffer. Basketball hoops and eruvs are a good thing for Jackson, not a bad thing. The enforcement of basketball hoops is due to eruvs and that is wrong. Instead of a new ordinance let's have a dialogue. Let's see how we can construct eruvs in a non obstructive way. Let's fix this law in a way that increases the quality of life for all Jackson residents and doesn't do the harm that the current ordinance on the table does.

P.S.DOES OUR QUALITY OF LIFE MATTER???? S.Goldberg

From:

Phil Stilton <pstilton@shorenewsnetwork.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 14, 2017 12:53 PM

To:

'Helene Schlegel'

Cc:

'Michael Reina'; 'Ann Marie Eden'; 'Ann Updegrave'; 'Kenneth Bressi'; 'Barry Calogero';

'Scott Martin'; 'Robert Nixon'

Subject:

RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops

Helene,

Hi, I'm not sure if some of the original message was not read or maybe cut off, but here it is again, please reply. I also have some follow up questions.

Will political signs in the Public ROW be enforced?

How many complaints have been issued thus far in this most recent enforcement period aug 1 to present.

- A) Eruvs
- B) Basketball hoops
- C) Other

I have been told that the Eruvs will not be removed in a show of civil disobedience to the township's enforcement, can you comment on that?

How many official complaints have been filed with the township by the public since 1/1/17 regarding this matter.

- A) Number of Eruv Complaints
- B) Number of basketball hoop complaints

I was told there was also a request to remove ALL eruvs in Jackson in lieu of a public utility eruv using existing utility poles owned by JCP&L. Does the township intend to grant that request in order to remove the inherent need for Eruv service by portions of the Jackson community?

Thanks,

Phil

Can the township please issue a clarification on its position on this eruv and basketball hoops matter?

- Why are citations being issued for both.
- Can you explain the ordinance. What IS allowed and not allowed?
- Are rolling hoops allowed for any period of time.
- Some people feel there is a war going on between basketball hoops and eruv enforcement and the kids are getting stuck in the middle.
- What is the plan for the inherent need for eruvs by the orthodox population?
- Is everyone who has a hoop out getting fined? Certain areas?

Please elaborate.

From: Helene Schlegel [mailto:hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net]

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 1:37 PM

To: Phil Stilton

**Cc:** Michael Reina; Ann Marie Eden; Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon **Subject:** Re: Eruv's and basketball hoops

Please be advised that Township ordinance § 372-8 states, "No person shall encumber or obstruct any street or public place with any article or thing whatsoever unless permission has been first obtained in writing from the Township Committee of the Township of Jackson." We are simply fairly and equitably enforcing the existing ordinance as written.

Respectfully,

Helene Schlegel, MS, MPP, CPM Business Administrator Jackson Township 95 West Veterans Hwy. Jackson, NJ 08527 732-928-1200 ext. 1210

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From: "Phil Stilton" <pstilton@shorenewsnetwork.com>

To: "Helene Schlegel" <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Michael Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Cc: "Ann Updegrave" <annieup@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Kenneth Bressi" <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Barry Calogero" <councilmancalogero@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Scott Martin"

<councilmanmartin@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Robert Nixon" <councilmannixon@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Helene Schlegel" <hschlegel@jacksontwpnj.net>, "Michael Reina" <mikereina@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Friday, August 11, 2017 12:42:56 PM

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Please elaborate.

There is much confusion circulating on social media on this and no clear answer about this township enforcement directive.

My deadline on this is Wed., but I will assume as always "no comment" in advance until I get a response.

# Thanks,

-=-

Phil Stilton
Shore News Network
www.shorenewsnetwork.com
Editor, CEO
732-575-4891

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Monday, September 18, 2017 2:17 PM

To:

Ann Updegrave; Kenneth Bressi; Barry Calogero; Scott Martin; Robert Nixon; Helene

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Subject:

Fwd: Eruv

FYI.

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AM

From: "Jackson Eruv" < jacksoneruvassociation@gmail.com>

To: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Cc: "Yoni Nevenansky" <yn@weissprop.com>, "Shmuel shifrin" <shmuelshifrin@gmail.com>, "Yossi Schwarz" <yossi@atlasandstone.com>, "Moshe Heiman" <moheiman@gmail.com>, "Michael Czermak" <mczermak@platinumhealthnj.com>, "Refoel Neuman" <refoelneuman@gmail.com>, "Meir Bulman" <meirbulman@gmail.com>, "Aron Glucksman" <aron@glucksmancaterers.com>, "nechemia isbee" <nisbee88@gmail.com>, "Abe Sompo" <sompo1126@yahoo.com>, "Nathan" <njxjr@aol.com>, Bjnussbaums@gmail.com, "Dovid Ritter" <dovidritter@gmail.com>, "Yehuda Tomor" <ytomor@gmail.com>, "mordy goode" <mordygoode@gmail.com>, "Zevi Wulliger" <zeviwulliger@yahoo.com>

Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 1:27:27 PM

Subject: Eruv

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The Jackson Eruv Association

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Sent: Monday, September 18, 2017 1:26 PM councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net

Cc: Moshe Heiman; nechemia isbee; refoelneuman@gmail.com; Meir Bulman; Aron

Glucksman; sompo1126@yahoo.com; Yossi Schwarz; mordy Burnstein; Nathan; Bjnussbaums@gmail.com; yn@weissprop.com; Dovid Ritter; Yehuda Tomor; Zevi

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From:

abeunger77 <abeunger77@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, August 21, 2017 8:29 PM

To:

Robert A Nixon; Barry Calogero; councilmanmartin@jacksontwpnj.net;

councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net; Helene Schlegel

Subject:

Please vote no and dont devide us

#### Dear Councilman,

I am writing to you about ordinance 20-17. As a resident of Jackson I am deeply troubled. Why is the township cracking down on basketball hoops and Eruvs? Do either one pose any harm to our town? Do either one pose a safety hazard to our town?

Children should be allowed to play ball in Jackson. Mothers and fathers should be able to play outside with their children on Saturday. Has their ever been a hoop on the row that caused harm to anyone (the street is a different story). In fact I believe it is a beautiful sight to see children being children and find it very sad that over 250 people got violations for having their basketball hoops in the row.

While I understand the reason why you are enforcing this I disagree and am asking you to reconsider. Eruvs increase a religious Jews quality of life and cause no harm to anyone. With over 200 minicapalitys in our great nation with eruvs I find it hard to believe that due to a couple of loud folks the whole town should suffer. Basketball hoops and eruvs are a good thing for jackson, not a bad thing. The enforcement of basketball hoops is due to eruvs and that is wrong. Instead of a new ordinance let's have a diouloge. Let's see how we can construct eruvs in a non obstructive way. Let's fix this law in a way that increases the quality of life for all Jackson residents and doesn't do the harm that the current ordinance on the table does.

From:

Sent:

To:

Subject:

Attachments:

Kenneth Bressi <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>

Thursday, September 21, 2017 3:08 PM

Christian David

Fwd:

Fwd: Opra Request - #2 (38.5 KB); Fwd: Opra Request - #2 (37.5 KB); Fwd: Two draft right of way ordinances - Attorney client privileged (270 KB); Two draft right of way ordinances - Attorney client privileged (270 KB); Re: Objects in public right of way. Attorney -Client Privileged. Pleas... (10.9 KB); Re: Objects in public right of way. Attorney -Client Privileged. Pleas... (8.29 KB); Objects in public right of way. Attorney -Client Privileged. Please do... (6.00 KB); Ordinance No. 20-17 (26.4 KB); please review before I send to Ann Marie (123 KB); RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops (25.3 KB); RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops (25.3 KB); RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops (10.7 KB); RE: Eruv's and basketball hoops (11.2 KB); Eruv's and basketball hoops (9.58 KB); Fix it don't enforce it (6.94 KB); Re: (5.98 KB); Untitled attachment 00917.eml (5.09 KB); Objects in right-of-way procedures (5.51 KB); Re: Public property? (15.1 KB); Fwd: Public property? (11.3 KB); Re: Public property? (35.2 KB); Fwd: Public property? (34.4 KB)

# Thank you - AD

# On Fri, Sep 15, 2017 at 3:03 PM, AD < artd4242@gmail.com > wrote: Dear Clerk Eden,

Please see attached OPRA requests, submitted anonymously by electronic means. If any requires a deposit to process please let me know and I can get you a check.

Thank you

- AD

From:

Ann Marie Eden <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 19, 2017 10:04 AM

To: Cc: Christian David

Subject:

Kenneth Bressi Fwd: Opra Request - #2

Attachments:

OPRA Request - AD - #2 - K. Bressi.pdf

Christian,

As per our conversation, attached is the OPRA request relative to Councilman Bressi's emails. Please conduct a search and provide copies of records applicable to the request. Due date to comply is on or before September 27, 2017.

Thanks!

AM

From: "Ann Marie Eden" <clerk@jacksontwpnj.net>

To: "Kenneth Bressi" <councilmanbressi@jacksontwpnj.net>

Sent: Tuesday, September 19, 2017 9:14:02 AM

Subject: Fwd: Opra Request - #2

Ken,

Attached please find OPRA request submitted "anonymously". Please provide copies of records requested. Due date to comply is on or before September 27, 2017. Should you require an extension to that date, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Ann Marie

From: "AD" <artd4242@gmail.com>

To: clerk@jacksontwpnj.net

Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2017 11:28:28 PM

Subject: Re: Opra Request

Dear Clerk Eden,

For OPRA requests submitted below and numbered 1-4 (all requests for email records), please expand the search terms to include any of the following the body or subject of emails: "eruv", "pipe", "pipes", "hoop", "hoops", "20-17", "372-8"