Chapter 198, RECORDS, PUBLIC ACCESS TO

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§ 198-1. Record request forms.

The forms to request government and police records adopted by the custodian of government records for the Borough of Laurel Springs pursuant to N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5(f), and approved by resolution of the governing body of the Borough of Laurel Springs, must be completed in full and submitted to the custodian of government records as required by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-5(g) in order to obtain copies of government records as provided by N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

§ 198-2. Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

ACCESS FORM — The form or forms adopted by the custodian of government records for use by any person or entity who requests access to government records.

CUSTODIAN OF GOVERNMENT RECORDS OR CUSTODIAN — The Borough Clerk.

EXTRAORDINARY CHARGE -- A charge, in addition to the actual cost of duplicating the government record(s), which shall reflect the expense associated with extensive use of Borough information, technology, programming or other resources, or extensive clerical or supervisory assistance by Borough personnel necessary to provide access to the record(s).

GOVERNMENT RECORD(S) or RECORD(S) — Any information subject to public inspection which is maintained by the Borough in written, audio, video, electronic or other form.

REQUESTOR — Any person or entity who requests access to a government record pursuant to this chapter or the state law on examination and copies of public records, N.J.S.A. 47:1A-1 et seq.

§ 198-3. Fee schedule.

The fees for copies of government records shall be:

A. Records in 8.5 inches by 11 inches or 8.5 inches by 14 inches format:

Number of Copies Fee (per page) Up to 10 \$0.75 11 to 20 \$0.50 21 and over \$0.25

B. Other records.

Type Fee

Tax Map page \$5

Zoning Map \$2.50 (if sold separately from the Zoning Ordinance)

Street Map \$2.50

For larger documents, i.e. plans, per square foot \$1.50

Master Plan \$45

Zoning Ordinance \$52.50 (includes Zoning Map)

Cassette tape \$5 Video tape \$25

Information on diskette or CD, per diskette or CD \$5

Computer-generated picture (BW or color), per sheet \$5

Copy of computer screen \$0.75

Film developing (24 or 36 exposures) \$15

Enlargements \$15

C. Postage and surcharges.

- (1) Postage and handling costs will be added to all requests for public records required to be mailed and will be determined at the time of request.
- (2) A surcharge of \$0.50 per page will be applied to all records sent by fax.
- (3) Extraordinary service charges shall be applied for any extensive use of information, technology, or for the labor costs of personnel, providing the service that is actually incurred by the Borough for programming, clerical and supervisor assistance required to provide a government records in the medium requested if it is not a medium routinely used by the Borough, not routinely developed or maintained by the Borough or requiring a substantial amount of manipulation or programming of information. This rate shall be \$45 per hour for programming and supervisory assistance and \$35 per hour for clerical assistance.