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Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Getz
328 Lake Street
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Getz:

This letter is intended to be a final determination of the issues surrounding the building of the residence at 322 Vine in Park Ridge.

As I have stated previously, the City followed its Code in granting the Certificate of Occupancy for the 322 Vine residence. The granting of the Certificate of Occupancy was an explicit approval of the storm water drainage system on 322 Vine at the time of issuance. The City has determined that it will stand by that approval.

I am aware that the City issued a Notice of Violation letter to the owners at 322 Vine on January 13, 2012. Being aware that the owners had not made the changes that the letter demanded and in preparation for bringing the matter before our Administrative Law Judge, I interviewed the witnesses whose testimony would be required. Based on that interview, I concluded that the City could not carry its burden of proof with respect to the proposed citations. I, therefore, recommended that the City not proceed with the prosecution of the Notice of Violations. The City has accepted my recommendation.

Based on the foregoing, it is the City's official position that it will not take any further action with respect to the installation of and the City approval of the 322 Vine storm water drainage system. Neither will the City pursue prosecution of the Notice of Violation letter of January 13, 2012. To be clear, this means that the City does not intend to take any further action with respect to the matters raised in your May 11, 2012 email to Steve Cutaia or with respect to any activities at 322 Vine that are known to the City as of the date of this letter.

Violations of applicable City regulations that occur after the issuance of this letter will be dealt with as they arise.

Please contact me if any aspect of this letter requires clarification. I will be happy to meet with you to explain the reasons for my recommendations to the City.

Sincerely,

Everette M. Hill, Jr.
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