

Barbara Coleman

From: Chief Richard Skinner <rskinner@washtwppolice.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 12:55 PM
To: Barbara Coleman; Captain John Calamari
Cc: Robert Tovo; rsrayve@gmail.com
Subject: Assisted Living Facility 620 Pascack Rd.

Barbara,

I received the plans for proposed Assisted Living Facility at 620 Pascack Road. Capt. Calamari and I reviewed the site plans and the scope of the project and have the following questions and areas of concern:

1. What is the proposed security plan with regard to the exterior of the facility? Camera systems, security guards etc.?
2. What is the proposed security plan with regard to the building? Visiting hours? Building access and controls?
3. Will the residents/occupants be there for short term or long term care and living?
4. What First Responder/Ambulance services as well as Basic Life Support (BLS) and Advanced Life Support (ALS) will be utilized for the residents?
5. What medical care/diagnosis/treatment equipment and resources will be on-site?
6. What prescription medicines will be dispensed and how? Will there be pharmacy type facilities on site?
7. What power/electrical backup will the building be equipped with in the event of a power outage?
8. What will the staffing levels be? Day time and night time shifts?

Our main concern would be the added volume of medical calls for Police and Ambulance services. Please contact me if you have any questions with regard to the above questions.

Thank you

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In response to your Memo dated May 6, 2020, and on behalf of our Captain, Robert Rayve, I am submitting the comments and observations of the Township Ambulance Corps on the proposed Assisted Living Facility to be constructed at 620 Pascack Road.

Comments:

Any overhangs, roof porticoes or entry overhangs under which the Ambulance could drive under when on the property must be higher than our minimum clearance of 9'6" in height. All doorways must be wide enough to accommodate the movement of our patient stretcher without hitting or becoming wedged in any tight corners or lobby encumbrances.

The interior dimensions and door opening and location of the elevator cars must be indicated on the design drawings.

An ambulance response protocol where the building management interfaces with any ambulance or paramedic crews must be established so that access through locked doors, security checkpoints, and areas devoted to memory care are handled smoothly.

Observations:

The Kitchen on the first floor does not have a doorway shown on the drawings but assuming it will be into the service corridor, adequate access must be available in the event the stretcher must be rolled into the kitchen.

The square footage is shown on the drawings for the two elevators but there are differing numbers on each floor. As stated above, we need to see the exact interior dimensions of the elevator cars. As a general comment, it seems that the existence of a service elevator off the service corridor for a building of this size is an absolute necessity for the movement of maintenance contractors throughout the life of the building, furniture, supplies and in the case of emergency services a private access and exit route for the movement of people in varying degrees of health and stages of life. Movement of people on a stretcher through the main entrance and on the main elevators is not something most people feel good about, and in some cases, people refuse transport to the hospital for that reason. As part of a building operations protocol, all ambulances could be routed to the service entrance, and patients moved in and out through the service elevator to floors 2 and 3 with building management supervision.

Please let us know when updated information is available for follow-up comments.

Sincerely,
Rich Miras
Treasurer, WTVAC

Planning Zoning

From: Fire Prevention
Sent: Saturday, May 16, 2020 4:50 PM
To: Planning Zoning
Cc: Kevin Zitko
Subject: Fwd: 620 Pascack Road Review

Barbara,

These are my comments for the 620 Pascack Road project.

Thanks.

Tom

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Thomas Derienzo <tom.derienzo@gmail.com>
Date: May 16, 2020 at 4:49:39 PM EDT
To: Fire Prevention <fp@twpofwashington.us>
Subject: 62 Pascack Road Review

- 1- Knox Box needs to be provided.
- 2- Is the building going to contain a fire standpipe system?
- 3- What type of fire sprinkler system will be in the building?
- 4- Will any of the doors contain special locking devices?
- 5- The Fire Department Connection will need to be located on the Pascack Road side of the Building.
- 6- Where are you proposing to locate the main building fire alarm panel?
- 7- Since the corridors on floors 2 and 3 are long, will fire rated doors be installed to divide the corridors into fire areas to ease the movement of the occupants in case of an emergency?
- 8- Please provide a drawing indicating where the fire zones are going to be located.
- 9- Is the Grass Paver Emergency Access Lane going to be blocked by a gate or similar object?
- 10- Ensure all turning radius' meet the Fire Department's requirements.
- 11- How are the kitchen exhaust hoods going to be vented? Through the roof or outside wall?