

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON
COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 200

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, AMENDING THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING ORDINANCE OF 1983, AS AMENDED, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES AS A PERMITTED USE UNDER SAID ORDINANCE, PROVIDING FOR THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 3.12.16 OF SAID ORDINANCE, AND DELINEATING DESIGN CRITERIA AND REQUIREMENT FOR SAID LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES.

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of Washington Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same, as follows:

(1) The following additional categories shall be added to the list of uses permitted by right under Section C.6B of the Ordinance.

17. Liquefied Petroleum Gas Storage and Distribution Facilities*,**

(2) The following provisions shall be added as a new Section 3.12.16 of the Ordinance:

16. Liquefied Petroleum Gas Storage and Distribution Facilities

a. Two (2) acre minimum lot size.

b. Such facilities are designed, constructed and operated in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Federal Government.

c. Such facilities are designed, constructed and operated in accordance with standards developed by the American National Standards Institute and the National Fire Protection Association for the storage and handling of liquefied petroleum gases (ANSI/NFPA 58).

d. Such facilities shall be designed, constructed and operated in strict compliance with the provisions of The National Fuel Gas Code (ANSI Z223.1-NFPA 54).

e. Such facilities shall be designed, constructed and operated in strict compliance with the provisions of the BOCA Building Code, the BOCA Mechanical Code, and the BOCA Fire Code, in effect at the time the application to construct the facility is filed with the Township of Washington.

f. All liquefied petroleum gas storage tanks on permanent foundations holding in excess of 500 gallons of liquefied petroleum must be set

back at least fifty (50') feet from the property line, and be located at least one hundred (100') feet from any occupied structure on any adjacent property not owned by the owner of the liquefied petroleum gas storage and distribution facility. Said tanks shall also be constructed in strict conformity with the standards established by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers outlined in Division I, Section VIII, of "The ASME Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code".

g. A landscaped buffer yard of at least twenty (20') feet in width shall be created between the property line of the liquefied petroleum gas storage and distribution facility and any adjoining residence not owned by the owner of the liquefied petroleum gas storage facility.

h. The applicant must submit and obtain approval of a land development plan before the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors for the facility. Said land development plan shall be submitted in strict compliance with the provisions of the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance of Washington Township. In addition to the specific requirements contained in the SALDO for land development plans, all plans submitted under this Section shall include:

1. A detailed landscaping plan depicting the landscaped buffer required under Section 16.

2. An evacuation plan approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the PA Emergency Management Agency, and the Northampton County Emergency Management Agency, or a letter from said agencies certifying that no evacuation plan is required for the liquefied petroleum gas storage facility.

3. All other provisions of the Washington Township Zoning Ordinance of 1983, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

4. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Supervisors of the Township of
Washington, County of Northampton and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, into
an Ordinance this 10th day of June, 1998.

WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: Ignatz Klausz, Jr.
Ignatz Klausz, Jr., Chairman

By: David Renaldo
David Renaldo

By: David Hess
David Hess

ATTEST:

By: Mary Ann Repsher
Mary Ann Repsher, Secretary

Approved and certified this 10th day of June, 1998.

Ignatz Klausz, Jr.
Ignatz Klausz, Jr., Chairman

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