The History of COAH in Delran

Council Meeting July 22, 2019



Affordable Housing is a Constitutional Obligation in New Jersey!



Who Qualifies for Low to Moderate Income Housing?

Table 6: 2019 AHPNJ	Income Limits for	Housing Region 5

	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person
Median Income	\$63,070	\$72,080	\$81,090	\$90,100	\$97,308
Moderate (80% of Median)	\$50,456	\$57,664	\$64,872	\$72,080	\$77,846
Low (50% of median)	\$31,535	\$36,040	\$40,545	\$45,050	\$48,654
Very Low (30% of the Median)	\$18,921	\$21,624	\$24,327	\$27,030	\$29,192

Source: 2019 Affordable Housing Regional Income Limits By Household Size

- Low income households are defined as those households earning less than or equal to 50 percent of a regional median income.
- Moderate income households earn more than 50 percent of regional median income, but less than 80 percent of regional median income.
- Low and Moderate Income Housing is workforce housing for teachers, police officers, emergency personnel and other important members of the society.



Delran's History with COAH

- 1986: First Round-Delran satisfied affordable obligation.
- 2003: Second Round-Delran satisfied COAH obligation with 14+ Units Surplus.
- From 1999 to 2015: 3 attempts to find the Third round obligation by the State...FAILED!
- 2008: COAH revised Third Round obligation.
- 2008: Third Round challenged in Court and was deemed unconstitutional.
- 2015: COAH was divested and Affordable Housing issue was taken over by the Court system.

(NOTE: There was no obligation number established yet.)



Delran's History with COAH

- 2015: Towns must now file a Declaratory Judgement
 Action in Superior Court to approve their revised plans.

 Delran filed on July 6, 2015.
- Special Master Philip Caton PP, FAICP, was assigned.
- In **2017**: three Interveners joined the case:
 - 1. Fair Share Housing Center (FSHC)
 - 2. Chester Avenue
 - 3. Atlantic Delta



FSHC - Who are they?

Non-profit 501(c)3 company that intervenes in law suits around the state to force towns to build additional affordable housing.

According to their website:

"Peter J. O'Connor is Fair Share Housing Center's founder. Over the last four decades, O'Connor has been a tireless legal crusader for the rights of low-income families in New Jersey to live in high-opportunity neighborhoods with decent jobs and good schools.

When he's not battling in the courtroom, O'Connor is busy developing housing for the poor in South Jersey where he heads Fair Share Housing Development, which has developed and manages 656 units of affordable housing, including Ethel R. Lawrence Homes."



FSHC Intervened to Demand:

Low to Moderate Homes (20%)	827 *
Market Value Homes	3,308
Total Additional Homes	4,135

*May 2016 Kinsey Report for Delran



Chester Avenue Development

Company	Location	Wanted	Negotiated	Difference
Chester Avenue	Holy Cross along Chester Avenue	400	265	-135 Units -34%

- FMV Homes 212 (FMV Rental is optional)
- Affordable 53 (Rental)



Atlantic Delta Development

Company	Location	Wanted	Negotiated	Difference
Atlantic Delta	Next to Home Depot	240 @15% Affordable (36)	240 @ 18% Affordable (48)	Same total Units with 12 more affordable units replacing FMV.

- Only access will be directly onto Route 130
- Buffered by woods from Forrest Hills



Delran Land, LLC

(Former Stellwag Property)

Homes

Agreed Upon	After Litigation	Difference
82	111 (W/20 Affordable)	+29 Units

All homes are Age Restricted 55 and Older NO ONE UNDER 18
No Impact to the Schools



Delran Land, LLC

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Why did they get a 5-Year Graduated Abatement?



Delran Land, LLC 5 year graduated Abatement

Land is and will always be taxed

When land is subdivided, land taxes will go up depending on the assessment.



Delran Land, LLC Abatement

Year	Abated Tax Rate	Land
First	0%	100%
Second	20%	100%
Third	40%	100%
Fourth	60%	100%
Fifth	80%	100%
Sixth	100%	100%

Affordable homes will be taxed at 100% from Certificate of Occupancy



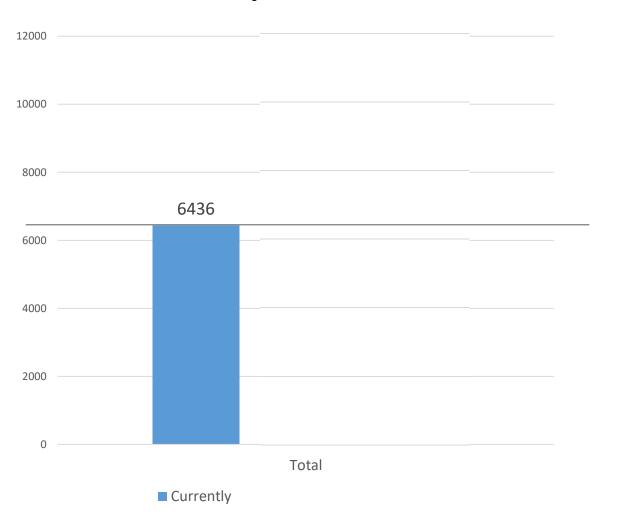
Former Abrasive Alloy Site 100% Affordable Community

65 Affordable units

(Township owned land to be developed by affordable housing Developer)



Delran Currently has 6,436 Homes



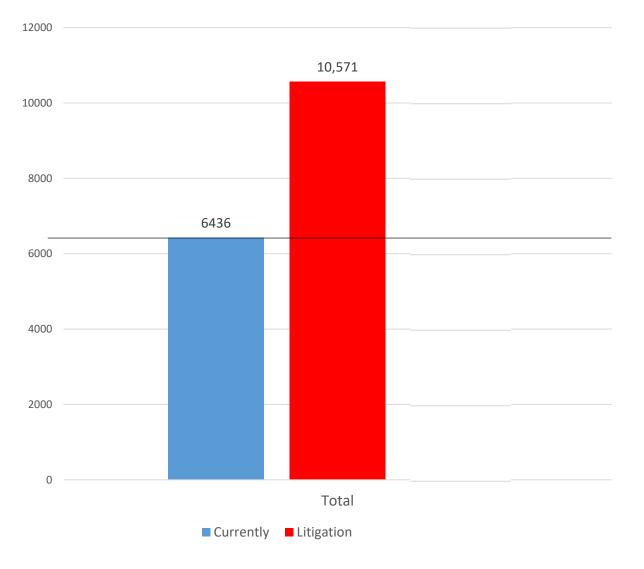


Fair Share Housing Center

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Result of Mediation





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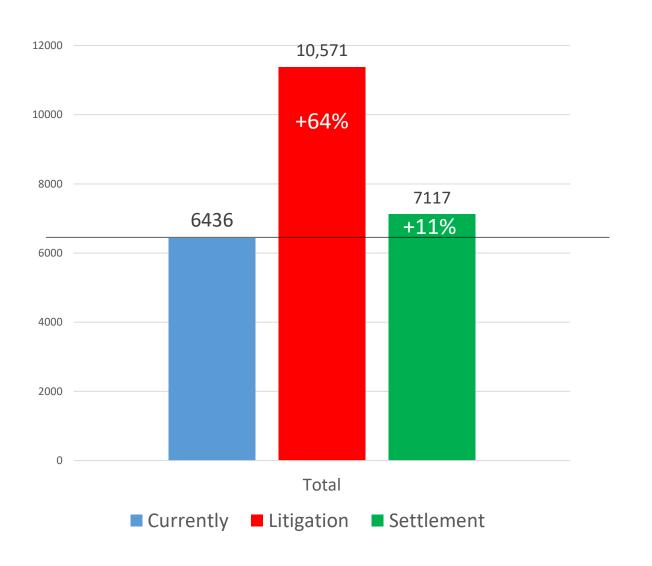
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Total Homes	4,135	860	681*	-3,454



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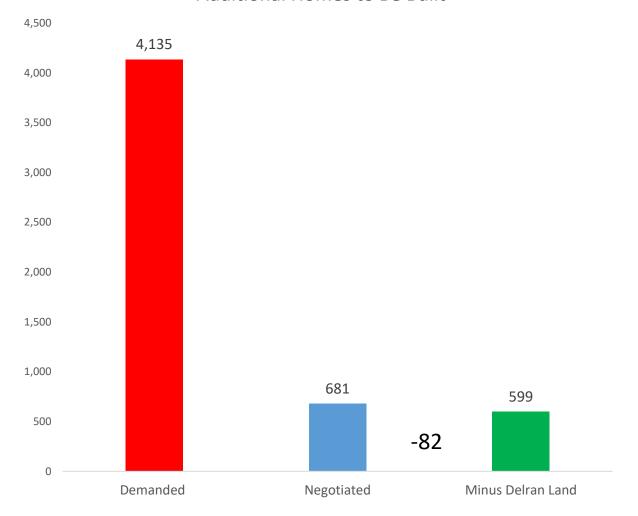
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