

July 28, 2026

VIA FEDEX & EMAIL

Attn: Lou Gara
Borough of Raritan
Zoning Board of Adjustments
9 West Somerset Street
Raritan, NJ 08868
lgara@raritan-nj.org

RE: Zoning Board Application – 19 E Somerset Street, Raritan, NJ

Dear Mr. Gara,

This firm represents Joseph Cortese (the “**Applicant**”) in connection with the above-referenced application to the Borough of Raritan Zoning Board (the “**Board**”). We respectfully submit the enclosed application for the Board's review and consideration.

Background

The subject property is located at 19 E Somerset Street, designated as Block 96, Lot 14 on the Borough of Raritan Tax Map (the “**Property**”). The Property is presently improved with a non-conforming two-family residence. The Applicant intends to install a driveway and curb cut on the Property. To accomplish this, the applicant requires variance relief for expansion of the non-conforming two-family residential use which may be granted by the Board pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-70(d)(2):

Waiver Requests

Please note, the Applicant respectfully seeks the following submission waivers in connection with the enclosed application:

1. Protective covenants or deed restrictions: No subdivision is proposed in the present application. No protective covenants or deed restrictions are proposed
2. Ownership Disclosure Form: The Applicant is an individual and owns the property in his personal name. As such there is no ownership structure to disclose.

Submission Materials

In connection with this Application, please find enclosed the following:

1. Twenty-two (22) copies the Borough Application and related materials including:
 - Application Form
 - Certificate that taxes are paid to date
 - Certified List of Property Owners within 200'
2. Six (6) Full-Sized and Twenty-two (22) 11 x 17 sets of Site Plans consisting of four (4) sheets, prepared by Stires Associates, P.A; and
3. One (1) USB Flash Drive containing electronic copies of the application materials.
4. One (1) copy of proof of filing with the Somerset County Planning Board.

Additionally, I am enclosing two (2) checks: (i) a check in the amount of \$250.00 representing the Borough's Application Fee; and (ii) a check in the amount of \$1,500.00 representing the Borough's Escrow Fee.

The Applicant respectfully requests that the Application be assigned a hearing date for the next available Board meeting. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s Michael Higgins

Michael Higgins, Esq.

BOROUGH OF RARITAN APPLICATION
SITE PLAN - SUBDIVISION PLAN - VARIANCE

A map of plat must be annexed hereto showing a plan of current and proposed uses and structures, see checklist for plat details. (Note: It is necessary for this application to be fully completed. All application and plats are to be submitted to the Administrative Officer. A 45 day review period for completeness will start upon submission of documents.)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Tax Map Page: 9 Date Received: _____
Block: 96 Fee Received: _____
Lot(s): 14 Board of Adjustment No.: _____
Zone: B1 Planning Board No.: _____
Street: E Somerset Street Phone No.: _____

NATURE OF APPLICATION AND/OR RELIEF REQUESTED:

☐ Minor Subdivision ☐ "a" Appeal ☐ "b" Interpretation
☐ Preliminary Plat ☐ "c" Variance ☒ "d" Variance
☐ Site Plan ☐ Final Plat ☐ Other

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PREMISES AND USE:

1. Record Title Owner Joseph Cortese
Address 19 East Somerset Street
2. Applicant Joseph Cortese
Address 19 East Somerset Street
3. Date of purchase 11/30/2009
4. Current (or last) use Residential
5. Size of parcel(s) 6,420 S.F. Size of building 905 S.F.
Total square feet (in all floors) _____
6. Number of new lots (including remainder) N/A
7. Percentage of lot occupied by building
PROVIDED 14 REQUIREMENT OF ZONE B1 95
8. Height of building 2 Story 3 Story/40 Feet
9. Area of lot 6,420 7,500
10. Setback from front of property line 24.66 N/A
11. Setback from left side line 1.59 N/A
12. Setback from rear property line 49.55 35 Feet
13. Percentage of impervious lot coverage 48.40
14. Has there been any previous appeal involving these premises? No
15. If so, state character of appeal and date of disposition: _____
16. Other contiguous lots owned by applicant or owner:
Block(s) N/A Lot(s) N/A
17. Are there currently any violations of building codes or zoning ordinances known to applicant (include non-conforming uses)?
Existing non-conforming residential use.
18. Taxes paid to date. _____

Signature of Tax Collector

Date of Submission _____

Applicant Signature _____

REQUEST FOR VARIANCE

In connection with your application for zoning and/or subdivision variance relief from the terms of the Borough Land Use Ordinance, please set forth:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Nature of Relief Requested | Section of the Zoning Ordinance
from which relief is requested |
| _____ "a" appeal | _____ |
| _____ "b" appeal (interpretation) | _____ |
| _____ "c" variance appeal | _____ |
| <u>X</u> _____ "d" variance appeal | <u>207-114(A)(4)</u> |
| _____ Other | _____ |

REQUEST FOR "C" VARIANCE INFORMATION

2. In what manner does the strict application of the foregoing present parctical difficulties and/or hardship?

N/A

3. What exceptional circumstances or conditions affect the site which are in support of the request.

N/A

REQUEST FOR A,B, AND D VARIANCE INFORMATION

4. State the nature of the variance being sought, including dates of any decisions previously made on this tract.

See attached statement of variance relief.

5. What are the "special reasons" for such a "d" variance request which apply to this particular case which would justify the appeal?

See attached statement of variance relief.

6. State other pertinent facts which support the request.

See attached statement of variance relief.

(Please note that an application presented to the Board also requires a plat submission in conformance with the Borough Development Checklist.)

LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

207 Attachment 3

Borough of Raritan

Checklist 2

For Determining Completeness of Application for
Minor Site Plan
Chapter 207, Land Use and Development
Borough of Raritan, Somerset County, New Jersey
[Amended 4-11-2017 by Ord. No. 2017-07]

Name of Application _____ Application No. _____

Block _____ Lot _____ Date Filed _____

An application shall not be considered complete until all the materials and information specified below and on the specific checklist for the proposed development have been submitted. Waivers shall be considered upon receipt of written waiver request from the Applicant.

Note: See Article VIII of Chapter 207, Land Use and Development, of the Code of the Borough of Raritan for further details of submission requirements and procedures.

	Applicant Portion			Borough Portion		
	Plats Comply	Not Applicable	Waiver Requested	Plats Comply	Do Not Comply	Waiver Approved
1. Application form, including checklists, 22 copies; one CD, USB flash drive or the most recent compatible technology (please contact the Borough to determine its capabilities), with all submission materials, including plans and reports, in PDF format.						
2. Plans: six sets of full-sized plans that have been signed and sealed by a New Jersey professional engineer or New Jersey professional licensed surveyor, as required, and folded into eighths with the title block revealed, and 22 sets in 1/2 size. All submission materials must be collated into 22 packets using the 1/2 size plan sets. All plans must be folded. Non-collated materials and/or unfolded plans will be rejected and all materials returned to the Applicant.						

RARITAN CODE

	Applicant Portion			Borough Portion		
	Plats Comply	Not Applicable	Waiver Requested	Plats Comply	Do Not Comply	Waiver Approved
3. Protective covenants or deed restrictions applying to the land being subdivided (20 copies).						
4. Application fee, executed escrow agreement and appropriate review fee.						
5. Separate application (and fee) for any conditional use or variance with the application.						
6. Certification from the Borough Tax Collector that all taxes and assessments on the property are paid in full.						
7. Disclosure form pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-48, providing the names and addresses of all persons owning 10% of the stock in a corporate applicant or 10% interest in any partnership applicant.						
8. Proof of filing with the Somerset County Planning Board, Somerset-Union Soil Conservation Service and any other outside agencies from which approval is necessary.						
9. Certification that applicant is owner or authorized agent, or consent of owner to file application.						
Minor site plans shall show or include the following:						
10. Map scale not less than 1 inch equals 100 feet, showing the entire tract on one sheet, using 1 of 4 standard sheet sizes: 8 1/2 x 13; 15 x 21; 24 x 36; or 30 x 42 inches per ordinance.						
11. A key map showing the entire tract and lands within 2,000 feet, at a scale of 1 inch equals not less than 1,000 feet.						
12. Name, address and telephone number of the following:						
a. Professional responsible for preparing the plans.						
b. Owner or owners of the site.						
c. Subdivider or developer.						
13. The names of all adjoining owners of any and all property located within 200 feet of the site, as shown on the most recent tax list prepared by the Borough Tax Assessor.						
14. The Tax Map sheet, and existing block and lot numbers of tract to be subdivided or developed and all adjacent lots.						
15. Scale, North arrow and original date, with any revision dates.						
16. Zoning district(s), including district names and zone schedule.						

LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT

	Applicant Portion			Borough Portion		
	Plats Comply	Not Applicable	Waiver Requested	Plats Comply	Do Not Comply	Waiver Approved
17. Site plan layout, showing boundaries of site, natural features, all developed, undeveloped and to-be-developed portions of tract, including buildings, circulation, parking, landscaping.						
18. Preliminary building plans, conceptual floor plans and elevations.						
19. The locations of existing streets with names, utilities, easements and their purpose, restriction with description thereof, rights-of-way, streams and natural features, wetlands or floodplains and drain ditches.						
20. Existing contours at sufficient intervals to determine general slope and natural drainage.						
21. Location of existing sewer lines and waterlines to serve the tract.						

RARITAN CODE

The Board reserves the right to acquire additional information before granting preliminary approval when unique circumstances affect the tract and/or when the application for development poses special problems for the tract and the surrounding area. Such information may include but not be limited to drainage calculations and traffic analyses; provided, however, that no application shall be declared incomplete for lack of such additional information.

Application Deemed Complete

Date _____

Application Deemed Incomplete

Date _____

Completeness subject to the Board approving the written requests for the following completeness items:

Application Deemed Incomplete

Date _____

Submission of additional information or written request for waivers of the following completeness items is required.

**Request for Taxpayer
Identification Number and Certification**

Go to www.irs.gov/FormW9 for instructions and the latest information.

**Give form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.**

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See Specific Instructions on page 3.	1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)	
	2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.	
	3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one of the following seven boxes. ☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☐ C corporation ☐ S corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate ☐ LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) _____ Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. ☐ Other (see instructions) _____	4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3): Exempt payee code (if any) _____ Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any) _____ (Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)
	3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions _____ ☐	
	5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.	Requester's name and address (optional)
	6 City, state, and ZIP code	
	7 List account number(s) here (optional)	

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number										
				-				-		
or										
Employer identification number										
				-						

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here	Signature of U.S. person 
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Date **7/16/2026**

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/FormW9.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they

must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN), which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following.

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid).
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds).
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds).
- Form 1099-NEC (nonemployee compensation).
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers).
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions).
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third-party network transactions).
- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), and 1098-T (tuition).
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt).
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property).

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

Caution: If you don't return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding*, later.

By signing the filled-out form, you:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued);
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding; or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee; and
4. Certify to your non-foreign status for purposes of withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code (if applicable); and
5. Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting is correct. See *What Is FATCA Reporting*, later, for further information.

Note: If you are a U.S. person and a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

Definition of a U.S. person. For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien;
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States;
- An estate (other than a foreign estate); or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding. Payments made to foreign persons, including certain distributions, allocations of income, or transfers of sales proceeds, may be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or chapter 4 of the Code (sections 1441–1474). Under those rules, if a Form W-9 or other certification of non-foreign status has not been received, a withholding agent, transferee, or partnership (payor) generally applies presumption rules that may require the payor to withhold applicable tax from the recipient, owner, transferor, or partner (payee). See Pub. 515, *Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities*.

The following persons must provide Form W-9 to the payor for purposes of establishing its non-foreign status.

- In the case of a disregarded entity with a U.S. owner, the U.S. owner of the disregarded entity and not the disregarded entity.
- In the case of a grantor trust with a U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner, generally, the U.S. grantor or other U.S. owner of the grantor trust and not the grantor trust.
- In the case of a U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust), the U.S. trust and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

See Pub. 515 for more information on providing a Form W-9 or a certification of non-foreign status to avoid withholding.

Foreign person. If you are a foreign person or the U.S. branch of a foreign bank that has elected to be treated as a U.S. person (under Regulations section 1.1441-1(b)(2)(iv) or other applicable section for chapter 3 or 4 purposes), do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 or Form 8233 (see Pub. 515). If you are a qualified foreign pension fund under Regulations section 1.897(l)-1(d), or a partnership that is wholly owned by qualified foreign pension funds, that is treated as a non-foreign person for purposes of section 1445 withholding, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use Form W-8EXP (or other certification of non-foreign status).

Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien. Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a saving clause. Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items.

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

Example. Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if their stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first Protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on their scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8 or Form 8233.

Backup Withholding

What is backup withholding? Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS 24% of such payments. This is called “backup withholding.” Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include, but are not limited to, interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester;
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the instructions for Part II for details);
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN;
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only); or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding, as described in item 4 under “*By signing the filled-out form*” above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See *Exempt payee code*, later, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier.

What Is FATCA Reporting?

The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) requires a participating foreign financial institution to report all U.S. account holders that are specified U.S. persons. Certain payees are exempt from FATCA reporting. See *Exemption from FATCA reporting code*, later, and the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information.

Updating Your Information

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you are no longer tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

Penalties

Failure to furnish TIN. If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding. If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

Criminal penalty for falsifying information. Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

Misuse of TINs. If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

Specific Instructions

Line 1

You must enter one of the following on this line; **do not** leave this line blank. The name should match the name on your tax return.

If this Form W-9 is for a joint account (other than an account maintained by a foreign financial institution (FFI)), list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of Form W-9. If you are providing Form W-9 to an FFI to document a joint account, each holder of the account that is a U.S. person must provide a Form W-9.

• **Individual.** Generally, enter the name shown on your tax return. If you have changed your last name without informing the Social Security Administration (SSA) of the name change, enter your first name, the last name as shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

Note for ITIN applicant: Enter your individual name as it was entered on your Form W-7 application, line 1a. This should also be the same as the name you entered on the Form 1040 you filed with your application.

• **Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your Form 1040 on line 1. Enter your business, trade, or “doing business as” (DBA) name on line 2.

• **Partnership, C corporation, S corporation, or LLC, other than a disregarded entity.** Enter the entity’s name as shown on the entity’s tax return on line 1 and any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Other entities.** Enter your name as shown on required U.S. federal tax documents on line 1. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. Enter any business, trade, or DBA name on line 2.

• **Disregarded entity.** In general, a business entity that has a single owner, including an LLC, and is not a corporation, is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (a disregarded entity). See Regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2). A disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Enter the owner’s name on line 1. The name of the owner entered on line 1 should never be a disregarded entity. The name on line 1 should be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income should be reported. For

example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a single owner that is a U.S. person, the U.S. owner’s name is required to be provided on line 1. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity’s name on line 2. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, the owner must complete an appropriate Form W-8 instead of a Form W-9. This is the case even if the foreign person has a U.S. TIN.

Line 2

If you have a business name, trade name, DBA name, or disregarded entity name, enter it on line 2.

Line 3a

Check the appropriate box on line 3a for the U.S. federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on line 1. Check only one box on line 3a.

IF the entity/individual on line 1 is a(n) . . .	THEN check the box for . . .
• Corporation	Corporation.
• Individual or • Sole proprietorship	Individual/sole proprietor.
• LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes or • LLC that has filed Form 8832 or 2553 electing to be taxed as a corporation	Limited liability company and enter the appropriate tax classification: P = Partnership, C = C corporation, or S = S corporation.
• Partnership	Partnership.
• Trust/estate	Trust/estate.

Line 3b

Check this box if you are a partnership (including an LLC classified as a partnership for U.S. federal tax purposes), trust, or estate that has any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate, in which you have an ownership interest. You must check the box on line 3b if you receive a Form W-8 (or documentary evidence) from any partner, owner, or beneficiary establishing foreign status or if you receive a Form W-9 from any partner, owner, or beneficiary that has checked the box on line 3b.

Note: A partnership that provides a Form W-9 and checks box 3b may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065). For more information, see the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

If you are required to complete line 3b but fail to do so, you may not receive the information necessary to file a correct information return with the IRS or furnish a correct payee statement to your partners or beneficiaries. See, for example, sections 6698, 6722, and 6724 for penalties that may apply.

Line 4 Exemptions

If you are exempt from backup withholding and/or FATCA reporting, enter in the appropriate space on line 4 any code(s) that may apply to you.

Exempt payee code.

- Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding.
- Except as provided below, corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, including interest and dividends.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding for payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions.
- Corporations are not exempt from backup withholding with respect to attorneys’ fees or gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and corporations that provide medical or health care services are not exempt with respect to payments reportable on Form 1099-MISC.

The following codes identify payees that are exempt from backup withholding. Enter the appropriate code in the space on line 4.

1—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2).

- 2—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- 3—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.
- 4—A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities.
- 5—A corporation.
- 6—A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a U.S. commonwealth or territory.
- 7—A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.
- 8—A real estate investment trust.
- 9—An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- 10—A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a).
- 11—A financial institution as defined under section 581.
- 12—A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian.
- 13—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 13.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
• Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 7.
• Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4 and 6 through 11 and all C corporations. S corporations must not enter an exempt payee code because they are exempt only for sales of noncovered securities acquired prior to 2012.
• Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 4.
• Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 ¹	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 5. ²
• Payments made in settlement of payment card or third-party network transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 4.

¹ See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Information, and its instructions.

² However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney reportable under section 6045(f), and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

Exemption from FATCA reporting code. The following codes identify payees that are exempt from reporting under FATCA. These codes apply to persons submitting this form for accounts maintained outside of the United States by certain foreign financial institutions. Therefore, if you are only submitting this form for an account you hold in the United States, you may leave this field blank. Consult with the person requesting this form if you are uncertain if the financial institution is subject to these requirements. A requester may indicate that a code is not required by providing you with a Form W-9 with "Not Applicable" (or any similar indication) entered on the line for a FATCA exemption code.

A—An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a) or any individual retirement plan as defined in section 7701(a)(37).

B—The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.

C—A state, the District of Columbia, a U.S. commonwealth or territory, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities.

D—A corporation the stock of which is regularly traded on one or more established securities markets, as described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

E—A corporation that is a member of the same expanded affiliated group as a corporation described in Regulations section 1.1472-1(c)(1)(i).

F—A dealer in securities, commodities, or derivative financial instruments (including notional principal contracts, futures, forwards, and options) that is registered as such under the laws of the United States or any state.

G—A real estate investment trust.

H—A regulated investment company as defined in section 851 or an entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940.

I—A common trust fund as defined in section 584(a).

J—A bank as defined in section 581.

K—A broker.

L—A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947(a)(1).

M—A tax-exempt trust under a section 403(b) plan or section 457(g) plan.

Note: You may wish to consult with the financial institution requesting this form to determine whether the FATCA code and/or exempt payee code should be completed.

Line 5

Enter your address (number, street, and apartment or suite number). This is where the requester of this Form W-9 will mail your information returns. If this address differs from the one the requester already has on file, enter "NEW" at the top. If a new address is provided, there is still a chance the old address will be used until the payor changes your address in their records.

Line 6

Enter your city, state, and ZIP code.

Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. If you are a resident alien and you do not have, and are not eligible to get, an SSN, your TIN is your IRS ITIN. Enter it in the entry space for the Social security number. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

Note: See *What Name and Number To Give the Requester*, later, for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

How to get a TIN. If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local SSA office or get this form online at www.SSA.gov. You may also get this form by calling 800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at www.irs.gov/EIN. Go to www.irs.gov/Forms to view, download, or print Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4. Or, you can go to www.irs.gov/OrderForms to place an order and have Form W-7 and/or Form SS-4 mailed to you within 15 business days.

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, apply for a TIN and enter "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, you will generally have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

Note: Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon. See also *Establishing U.S. status for purposes of chapter 3 and chapter 4 withholding*, earlier, for when you may instead be subject to withholding under chapter 3 or 4 of the Code.

Caution: A disregarded U.S. entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.

Part II. Certification

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, 4, or 5 below indicates otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on line 1 must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt payee code*, earlier.

Signature requirements. Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 5 below.

1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983. You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

3. Real estate transactions. You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

4. Other payments. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments made in settlement of payment card and third-party network transactions, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), ABLE accounts (under section 529A), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions. You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

What Name and Number To Give the Requester

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account) other than an account maintained by an FFI	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account ¹
3. Two or more U.S. persons (joint account maintained by an FFI)	Each holder of the account
4. Custodial account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor ²
5. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee)	The grantor-trustee ¹
b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The actual owner ¹
6. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner ³
7. Grantor trust filing under Optional Filing Method 1 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))**	The grantor*

For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
8. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
9. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity ⁴
10. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
11. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
12. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
13. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
14. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
15. Grantor trust filing Form 1041 or under the Optional Filing Method 2, requiring Form 1099 (see Regulations section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))**	The trust

¹ List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

² Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

³ You must show your individual name on line 1, and enter your business or DBA name, if any, on line 2. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

⁴ List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.)

* **Note:** The grantor must also provide a Form W-9 to the trustee of the trust.

** For more information on optional filing methods for grantor trusts, see the Instructions for Form 1041.

Note: If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

Secure Your Tax Records From Identity Theft

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information, such as your name, SSN, or other identifying information, without your permission to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax return preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity, or a questionable credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Pub. 5027, Identity Theft Information for Taxpayers.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a systemic problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 800-829-4059.

Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to phishing@irs.gov. You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA) at 800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at spam@uce.gov or report them at www.ftc.gov/complaint. You can contact the FTC at www.ftc.gov/idtheft or 877-IDTHEFT (877-438-4338). If you have been the victim of identity theft, see www.IdentityTheft.gov and Pub. 5027.

Go to www.irs.gov/IdentityTheft to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

Privacy Act Notice

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and territories for use in administering their laws. The information may also be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payors must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividends, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payor. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.



BOROUGH OF RARITAN

Municipal Building
9 West Somerset Street
Raritan, NJ 08869-1809

Telephone: (908) 231-1300
Fax: (908) 231-0810
Website: www.raritanboro.org

July 16, 2026

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to certify that as of July 16, 2026, taxes are current on block 96 lot 14, 19 East Somerset St., Raritan, NJ 08869. There are no open liens on this lot.

Please let me know if you require additional information.

Sincerely,

Tori B. Cesario, CTC
Tax Collector
Borough of Raritan



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May 26th, 2026

Certified List of Property Owners within 200 feet Radius

Applicant /Requestor -

Mia LoboZZo
Legal Assistant
Murphy Schiller & Wilkes LLP

Property Requested -

Certified List of Property Owners within 200 feet
Block 96, Lot 14
19 E Somerset Street
Raritan, NJ 08869

I certify that the attached list contains the names and addresses of the owners of properties adjoining
and/or within 200 feet of the above-described properties, in all directions, as indicated by the
current Raritan Borough Tax Map and Tax List.

5/26/26

Date


Jenna Ferraro



RARITAN BOROUGH

Parcel Offset List

Target Parcel(s): Block-Lot: 96-14
CORTESE, JOSEPH

27 parcels fall within 200 feet of this parcel(s).

Block-Lot: 96-12
QUISPE, MIGUEL
7 LINCOLN ST
RARITAN NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-7
ZHAO, ZHENG
77 CEDAR GROVE ROAD
BRANCHBURG, NJ 08876

Block-Lot: 96-1
BENZINO LLC
834 MILLSTONE RIVER RD
BELLE MEAD, NJ 08502

Block-Lot: 96-15
BIRCH GLADE LLC,
756 WATCHUNG ROAD
BOUND BROOK, NJ 08805

Block-Lot: 109-1.02
HIGHLAND PARK ACQUISITIONS & HOLDIN
499 ERNSTON ROAD SUITE B9
PARLIN, NJ 08859

Block-Lot: 97-12.01
SLATER, CAROL
8 LINCOLN ST
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-2
MARIANO, BERNABE N&CASTRO FREIDA S
4 COLFAX ST
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 97-13
RENSHAW, KATHLEEN
6 LINCOLN ST.
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-21
FEROZAN, ABDUL SABOUR
25 ANDERSON STREET
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-6
8 COLFAX STREET, LLC
PO BOX 325
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-16
MULLIGAN, JOSEPH
15 EAST SOMERSET STREET
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-13
BESSASPARIS, DANIEL R
5 LARCH LANE
HILLSBOROUGH, NJ 08844

Block-Lot: 96-19
ANCHOR PLACE LLC,
285 SUNNYMEADE ROAD
HILLSBOROUGH, NJ 08844

Block-Lot: 96-18
DATTOLO,PASQUALE & CONCOTTA
141 ROUTE 46 UNIT #10
BUDD LAKE,NJ 07828

Block-Lot: 108-3
ST. JOSEPHS CHURCH
16 E SOMERSET ST
RARITAN, N. J. 08869

Block-Lot: 97-14
J & T ENTERPRISES, L.L.C.
PO BOX 444
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-17
MALINOWSKI, ANTHONY
3 ROOSEVELT ROAD
WHITEHOUSE STATION, NJ 08889

Block-Lot: 109-1.01
EAST SOMERSET PARTNERS LLC
475 N BRIDGE ST
BRIDGEWATER, NJ 08807

Block-Lot: 96-8
CARRERA, JUAN & EUGENIA
7825 BLACKHILL ST
WESLEY CHAPEL, FL 33545

Block-Lot: 96-11
RIVERA, SERGIO A & BRENDA VAZQUEZ
20 COLFAX ST
RARITAN NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-20
DATTOLO, PASQUALE & CONCETTA
141 ROUTE 46 UNIT #10
BUDD LAKE,NJ 07828

Block-Lot: 96-3
HIDAYAT, KEVIN
42 THOMPSON STREET
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 96-5
RARITAN BOROUGH
22 FIRST STREET
RARITAN, NJ 08869

Block-Lot: 108-2
FORTE, ROSEMARY C.
8 E SOMERSET ST
RARITAN, N J 08869

Block-Lot: 96-4
JPG REAL ESTATE LLC
23 OAK TAVERN CIR
BRANCHBURG, NJ 08876

Block-Lot: 96-10
HIDAYAT, KEVIN
106 LIBERTY CORNER RD
WARREN, NJ 07059

Block-Lot: 96-9
TORMASI, ATTILA L. & RUTH G.
1386 MALLARD DRIVE
MARTINSVILLE, NJ 08836

Additional Require Certified Mailing List for the following:

Somerset County Planning Board
P.O. Box 3000
Somerville, NJ 08876

N. J. Dept. of Transportation
1035 Parkway Ave.
P.O. Box 600
Trenton, NJ 08625-0600

Public Service Electric & Gas Co.
Manager - Corporate Properties
80 Park Plaza, T6B
Newark, NJ 07102

Bell Atlantic
540 Broad St.
Newark, NJ 07102

Sherwin Ulep, P.E. / Facility Engineer
The Somerset Raritan Valley Sewage Authority
P.O. Box 6400
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

New Jersey American Water Co.
1025 Laurel Oak Rd.
Voorhees, NJ 08043

Borough of Raritan
Borough Clerk
22 First St.
Raritan, N.J. 08869

Cable Vision
275 Centennial Ave.
Piscataway, N.J. 08855-6805
CN 6805

Somerville Borough Clerk
25 West end Avenue
Somerville, N.J. 08876

Bridgewater Township Clerk
100 Commons Way
Bridgewater, NJ 08807



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May 21, 2026

VIA FEDEX OVERNIGHT

Anthony DiRado
Tax Assessor
Borough of Raritan
9 West Somerset Street
Raritan, New Jersey, 08869

**RE: 200 Foot List Request
19 E Somerset Street, Raritan, New Jersey (Block 96, Lot 14)**

Dear Mr. DiRado:

I write to request a 200-foot list for the above-referenced property. Please find a check for \$10 made payable to the Borough of Raritan, along with a self-addressed stamped envelope for the return of the list. Also, please forward the list via email to mlobozzo@murphyllp.com.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Mia Lobozzo

MIA LOBOZZO
Legal Assistant