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Town of Newburgh, NY

How can we help?



STATE OF EMERGENCY REGARDING ASYLUM SEEKERS

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The current controversy of relocating Asylum Seekers is a dilemma created at the Federal level. As Town Supervisor for the Town of Newburgh, I feel that the borders are not adequately managed as they had been with many of our ancestors.

On Friday, May 5th, the Mayor of New York City Eric Adams, contacted me seeking my feelings on a plan to relocate 60 single male Asylum Seekers to the Town of Newburgh for a period of four months at the Crossroads Hotel located in the Town of Newburgh. Mayor Adams indicated that the City of New York would be responsible for all the expenses associated with housing these Asylum Seekers. At this point, as Town Supervisor, I decided to deal with Mayor Adams directly.

I informed Mayor Adams about my concerns with regard to the absence of background checks on these 60 men. I told Mayor Adams that the safety of the Town of Newburgh residents is most important. In addition, at the conclusion of the four months, I reminded Mayor Adams that these 60 men would be ineligible to receive Social Services benefits because they are not citizens of the United States.

A shelter is not permitted at The Crossroads Hotel. The Town of Newburgh has a litany of procedures for outside governments to follow when these outside governments, like New York City, propose a use in another jurisdiction. New York City still needs to follow these procedures.

Lastly, the Crossroads Hotel, located adjacent to a residential zone, has very few services within walking distance.

Upon the conclusion of our correspondence, Mayor Adams acknowledged my concerns and Mayor Adams indicated that he would delay any relocation action until all my concerns and questions were answered to my satisfaction.

On Tuesday, May 9th, Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus issued a State of Emergency in response to New York City's plan to relocate Asylum Seekers to Orange County.

Subsequently, notices were hand-delivered to potential hotels and motels within the Town of Newburgh, making them aware of the Town Code that a shelter is not permitted use for a hotel or motel and that the Town of Newburgh will take whatever corrective action is necessary should the Town Code be violated.

Gil Piaquadio

Town of Newburgh Supervisor

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