
Fire Comments

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[4337 Mountain View Road | Special Use | for Group Home | on a 1.026± acre tract located on the south side of Mountain View Road approximately 340 feet east of its intersection with T Moore Road | Zoned AR-1; Tax Parcel 08041 001004 \(pt\) | Proposed Use: Group home | Commission District 2 | Made for More Ministries, LLC, applicant](#)

Hall County Fire Marshal Comments:

1. Applicant requests Occupancy for 20 occupants inside the main house and 10 occupants in the guest house. If approved both occupancies will be required to meet all applicable NFPA 101 Life Safety Code and International Fire Code requirements and must adhere to state minimum fire safety standards, primarily enforced by the Georgia Safety Fire Commissioner.
2. The Hall County Fire Marshal's Office has determined through the International Building Code 2024 edition that the main house with 20 occupants would be classified as a Residential Group R-2 dormitory: A building or space in a building in which group sleeping accommodations are provided for more than 16 persons who are not members of the same family in one room, or a series of closely associated rooms, under joint occupancy and single management, with or without meals, but without individual cooking facilities.
3. According to Life Safety Code 2024 edition dormitories would be required to meet all applicable requirements of Chapter 28 including the installation of an electrically supervised automatic sprinkler system.
4. The Hall County Fire Marshal's Office has determined the Guest house with 10 occupants would be classified as a Residential Group R-3 lodging house with five or fewer guest rooms: Residential Group R-3 occupancies where the occupants are primarily permanent in nature and not classified as group R-1, R-2, R-4, or I
5. According to Life Safety Code 2024 edition lodging houses would be required to meet all applicable requirements of Chapter 26 including the installation of an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with life safety code section 26.3.6.2
6. If approved engineered site development and architectural plans will be required for review and approval to bring the site and structures into compliance with fire code.

Regards,

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