SERVICE NOTICE

BIS Update: Occupied/Rent-Regulated Buildings and PW1 Owner’s Statements

Beginning December 18, 2018, applications in the Buildings Information System (BIS) will be stopped if data obtained from NYS Homes and Community Renewal (HCR) indicates the building contains at least one rent-regulated unit and the owner checks ‘No’ in response to either statement in Section 26 of the PW1. If the answer to either statement is ‘No,’ the applicant must submit supporting documentation, such as an order or letter from HCR, to proceed with the application.

Section 26 of the PW1

Applicants are reminded they must certify occupied units on the PW1 and identify the occupied units on the construction documents. If units are occupied, the applicant must submit a Tenant Protection Plan.

Plans approved before December 18, 2018

The permit application will be stopped if the owner answered ‘No’ to either statement on the PW1. The applicant should review the answers to confirm the answer is correct. The applicant must submit a Post Approval Amendment (PAA) to change the owner’s answers to ‘Yes’ – submit a Tenant Protection Plan if not previously submitted – or submit documentation to support the ‘No’ answer(s).

Permit Renewals

If the owner answered ‘No’ to either statement on the PW1, the renewal application must be filed in-person at a borough office. The applicant will be required to submit a PAA to change the owner’s answers to ‘Yes’ – submit a Tenant Protection Plan if not previously submitted – or submit documentation showing the ‘No’ answer was correct at the time the application was filed.

The Department will review all documentation submitted in support of a ‘No’ answer and will seek to revoke the plan approval and/or permit if it is determined the answer was false.

To see if your building has filed records with HCR and may contain one or more rent regulated apartments, please visit HCR’s website at www.nyshcr.org and enter the building address in the Rent Regulated Building Search.

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