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INTRODUCTION

This report lists the regulatory documents that apply to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Operation Breakthrough site in Indianapolis, Indiana; the documents themselves, insofar as they are obtainable, are also furnished. The report's overall content is indicated by its Table of Contents:

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II Regulatory Data: Listing

Included in the following list are the offices from which the documents are available as well as the documents' costs, if any, should additional copies be required.

- 1 Consolidated Government for Indianapolis as Provided by Indiana Senate Bill 543, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 2 Consolidated Government for Indianapolis, Article VIII, Senate Bill 543, available from:

Department of Metropolitan Development
City-County Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 3 Operation Breakthrough Prototype Site Questionnaire, State Farm Site, available from:

Department of Metropolitan Development
City-County Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 4 Municipal Code, Indianapolis, 1951, Title 8, Building Code, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$15.00

- 5 Building Rules and Regulations, Volume 1, 1969, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
100 N. Senate Avenue
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$4.00

- 6 Information on Submission of Plans, etc., January 1970, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204.

- 7 Certificate of Compliance, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 8 Revised Schedule of Plan Examination Fees, July 1, 1969, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 9 1967 Supplement to Municipal Code, 1951, Title 8, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$10.00

- 10 Ordinance Requiring Submission of Building Plans for Apartment Houses, to Bureau of Fire Protection, G. O. 22, 1969, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 11 Ordinance to Establish Requirements for Locks on Exterior Doors, G. O. No. 25, 1969, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 12 Plumbing Rules and Regulations, Volume III, 1968, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$2.00

- 13 Indiana Elevator Law and Rules, available from:

Division of Labor
Elevator Safety Subdivision
State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 N.C.

- 14 National Electrical Code, NFPA No. 70, 1968, available from:

National Fire Protection Association
60 Batterymarch Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02110 \$2.00

- 15 Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning, Volume IV, 1970, available from:

Administrative Building Council of Indiana
Indiana State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$2.00

- 16** Dwelling Districts Zoning Ordinance of Marion County, Indiana, available from:

Metropolitan Planning Department
City-County Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$1.00

- 17** Commercial Zoning Ordinance of Marion County, Indiana, available from:

Metropolitan Planning Department
City-County Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$1.00

- 18** Subdivision Regulations for Marion County, Indiana, available from:

Metropolitan Planning Department
City-County Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 \$1.00

- 19** Indiana Air Pollution Control Law, available from:

Air Pollution Control Board of Indiana
1330 West Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

- 20** Air Pollution Control Regulations APC 1 through 7, available from:

Air Pollution Control Board of Indiana
1330 West Michigan Street
Indianapolis, Indiana 46206

- 21** Air Pollution, an Ordinance for the Control of the Atmosphere in the Indianapolis Area, G. O. No. 109, 1967, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 22** An Ordinance to Extend City Control of Air Pollution, G. O. No. 23, 1969, available from:

City-County Clerk
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 23** Procedure for Street Improvement, available from:

Department of Transportation
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

- 24** Safety Code No. 13 for the Construction Industry, available from:

Division of Labor
State Office Building
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 N.C.

III Regulatory Data: Comments and Explanations

Note 1

As of January 1, 1970, the governments of the city of Indianapolis and of Marion County, of which it is a part, have been merged to form the City of Indianapolis (Consolidated), with the administration sometimes referred to as Unigov.

Note 2

Zoning requirements for the whole county, including the city of Indianapolis, have been set by the Metropolitan Planning Department (county) even prior to the merger of the city and county governments.

Note 3

Occupancies having more than two residential units must meet the requirements of the (State) Building Rules and Regulations, Volume 1, 1960 of the Administrative Building Council of Indiana. The Elevator Law and Rules (under revision as of May 1, 1970) are promulgated by the State Division of Labor and are mandatory without revision by local authority throughout the State.

Note 4

The State Building Rules and Regulations specifically recommends that municipalities and other local jurisdictions adopt:

1. Fire limits (and regulations pertaining to the construction of frame buildings therein).
2. Regulations governing the construction of private residences.
3. Other fire preventive and sanitary regulations not in the State regulations.

The State air pollution control law also encourages city and town air pollution control boards to handle the problem within their jurisdictions.

Note 5

As of May 1, 1970, the building code requirements for one- and two-family dwellings are covered by the Municipal Code, Indianapolis, 1951, Title 8, the 1967 Supplement to Municipal Code 1951, and several ordinances (pertinent principally to licensing) in the Proceedings of the Common Council, Indianapolis, 1967 and 1968. A newly drafted Building Rules and Regulations for One- and Two-Family Residences for the City of Indianapolis (Consolidated) is before the City-County Council. This may be subject to certain revisions before final adoption.

Note 6

The several regulatory codes, State and city-county, applicable to the Indianapolis site, together with such other generally recognized codes and standards as may be referenced in them, furnish the housing system producer and/or site developer with all the requirements for usual housing construction on the site. These may be subject to waiver procedures to the extent the proposed housing system is at variance with the existing requirements.

Factory-Built Housing:

The code currently in effect in Indianapolis for one-and two family housing and the State Building Rules and Regulations have no specific provisions for acceptance of factory-built structures, and the general procedures for approval of variances would be applicable. The proposed Indianapolis code allows certification of factory-built housing or components, and such a section is being considered for addition to the State Building Rules and Regulations.

Administration:

The State Building Rules and Regulations are enforced in cooperation with local officials.

Permits, Registration, Licensure:

Architects and Engineers must be registered in Indiana.

Electrical, Plumbing and heating contractors are licensed by the city. No licensing is required for general contractors at present, but certain stipulations, such as bonding, are under consideration.

Permits are issued by the city building commissioner after certification by the architect or engineer that the submitted plans are in accordance with the requirements of the applicable rules and regulations. Prior State approval of plans is required for multifamily dwellings.

All structures except "private residences" must be designed by an architect or engineer.

Conflicts, Appeals:

Appeals on city ordinances and requirements are made to the building commissioner, with further appeal available to a board of arbitration.

State Building Rules and Regulations appeals are filed with the State Building Commissioner who refers them to the Administrative Building Council which meets quarterly, or in special meeting in emergencies.

Planning and Zoning:

The Operation Breakthrough site in Indianapolis is in Fire Zone 3.

Planned unit development is provided for in the Dwelling Districts Zoning Ordinance of Marion County.

Electrical:

The city 1967 Supplement to Municipal Code, 1951 references the 1953 National Electrical Code. The city further states that revisions to the electrical code will be made by ordinance of the common council. It is further stated, however, that elevator wiring, lighting and signs, and alarm systems shall conform to the State Rules and Regulations (which reference the 1968 National Electrical Code).

Plumbing, Heating, Ventilating, Air Conditioning:

The Building Code of Indianapolis, 1951, references the Rules and Regulations of the Administrative Building Council of Indiana, Volume III, Plumbing, and Volume IV, Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning, and provides that future amendments and additions to these rules and regulations shall become a part of the city building code.

IV Administration--Indianapolis, Indiana

Population, 1964, metropolitan area: 971,000

Government: Mayor and City-County Council

Administration of Codes:

Building (Indianapolis)	Lloyd W. Scholl Commissioner of Buildings City-County Building Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 633-3631
Building (State)	Charles J. Betts State Building Commissioner Administrative Building Council of Indiana Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 633-5433
Zoning and Planning	David O. Meeker, Director Department of Metropolitan Planning City-County Building Indianapolis, Indiana 46204 (317) 633-3198

