



Township Council
1 Municipal Plaza
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

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Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 02/05/18 07:00 PM

2018 RESOLUTION APPROVAL

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION OF PROPERTY IDENTIFIED ON THE TAX MAPS OF THE TOWNSHIP AS BLOCK 62, LOT 1; BLOCK 64, LOTS 5 AND 8; BLOCK 96, LOTS 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 AND 11; AND BLOCK 97, LOTS 1 AND 55 AND THE ADJACENT PUBLIC STREETS, LARGELY COMPRISING PARCELS COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE FORMER WESTINGHOUSE PLANT SITE AND INCLUDING OTHER LOTS NEAR THE WATSESSING TRAIN STATION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A RECOMMENDATION AS TO WHETHER THE SUBJECT PROPERTY CONSTITUTES A NON-CONDEMNATION AREA IN NEED OF REDEVELOPMENT PURSUANT TO THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN THE LOCAL REDEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING LAW.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*, the Mayor and Council may direct the Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation and hold a public hearing so that it may determine whether to recommend to the Mayor and Council that certain areas of the Township are or are not in need of redevelopment pursuant to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5, and the procedures set forth at N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6; and

WHEREAS, the property depicted on the attached study area map and identified on the Tax Maps of the Township as Block 62, Lot 1; Block 64, Lots 5 & 8; Block 96, Lots 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11; and Block 97, Lots 1 and 55 (the "Property"), which includes a 13.5 acre site commonly known as the former Westinghouse plant site, which is and has been vacant for many years and was the subject of an intensive and lengthy environmental clean-up, and certain other vacant lots which are also near the Watsessing train station, as well as the adjacent public streets; and

WHEREAS, it has become apparent that due to the costs associated with the environmental clean-up and the size of the Westinghouse site, and the overall condition of the

area surrounding the Watsessing train station, redevelopment of the Property will not occur without assistance from the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield therefore desires that the Planning Board conduct a preliminary investigation in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*, and make a recommendation as to whether or not the Property, or any part thereof, qualifies as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment pursuant to the criteria for redevelopment set forth at N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5, including whether certain parcels may not themselves be blighted but may be necessary for the redevelopment of the other parcels which comprise the Property, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield, Essex County, New Jersey, as follows:

1. The Township of Bloomfield Planning Board is hereby authorized and directed to conduct a preliminary investigation, hold a public hearing and make a recommendation to the Mayor and Council as to whether all or some of the parcels identified as Block 62, Lot 1; Block 64, Lots 5 & 8; Block 96, Lots 1, 4, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11; and Block 97, Lots 1 and 55, on the Township's Tax Maps (the "Proposed Redevelopment Area"), and the adjacent public streets, qualify as a non-condemnation area in need of redevelopment in accordance with the criteria set forth in the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, *et seq.*;

2. The Planning Board is hereby directed to make its recommendation after giving public notice, including mailed notice to the owners of each parcel of property within the Proposed Redevelopment Area, and conducting a public hearing as provided in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6.

3. The public notice shall comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6(b)(2) and (3), and the hearing procedures shall comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6(b)(4).

4. Before proceeding to the public hearing, the Planning Board shall prepare a map showing the boundaries of the Proposed Redevelopment Area, and the location of the parcels. A statement setting for the basis for the investigation shall be incorporate the map.

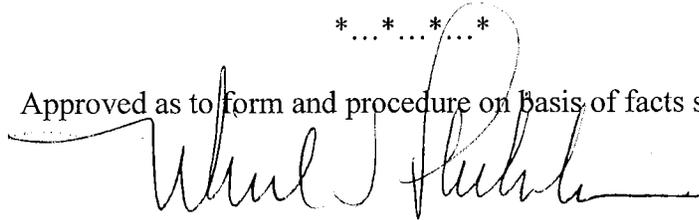
5. After completing the public hearing, the Planning Board shall, by resolution, transmit to the Mayor and Council its recommendation as to whether the Proposed Redevelopment Area, or any part thereof, should be determined, or not be determined, to be an

6. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6(a), the Mayor and Council hereby assigns to the Planning Board the conduct of the investigation and the public hearing, which shall comply in all respects with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6, and authorizes the Planning Board to retain any expert needed to assist it in its investigation.

7. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

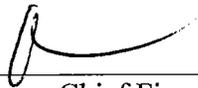
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Approved as to form and procedure on basis of facts set forth.



Director of Law-Township Attorney

I do hereby certify that the funding will be legally appropriated per the above information for the purpose specified in the attached contract. Furthermore, it has been represented to me that the contracts have been processed in accordance with the applicable provisions of New Jersey Local Public Contract Law and the Code of the Township of Bloomfield.

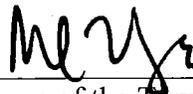


Chief Financial Officer

I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on February 05, 2018.



Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield



Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution					
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