



Township Council  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

Louise M. Palagano  
Municipal Clerk

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Meeting: 11/23/20 07:00 PM

**2020 RESOLUTION APPROVAL**

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**RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE ESSEX HUDSON GREENWAY**

**WHEREAS**, the Open Space Institute Land Trust, Inc., a regional charity active in the development of parks and rail trails, has entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Norfolk Southern Railway Company to acquire the 8.63-mile rail right-of-way of the former New York & Greenwood Lake Railroad beginning at the point of abandonment in Montclair Township at Mile Post WD 11.6 (near Station 600+46), and lying within the municipalities of Montclair Township, Glen Ridge Borough, Bloomfield Township, Belleville Township, and the City of Newark in Essex County, and the Town of Kearny, the Town of Secaucus and to the point of abandonment in the City of Jersey City in Hudson County at Mile Post WD 2.9 (near Station 255 + 61) (hereinafter referred to as the "Old Boonton Right of Way"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Old Boonton Right-of-Way, which averages 100' in width, passes through portions of 2 counties and 8 municipalities, including Bloomfield, and will connect users to a myriad of schools, businesses, transit stations, and facilities providing a safe corridor of travel for students and commuters alike; the proposed Essex-Hudson Greenway ("Greenway") will provide new recreational and alternative transportation opportunities for residents of the towns within the Greenway, as well as the surrounding communities throughout the counties; and

**WHEREAS**, the design and construction of the Greenway will incorporate stormwater mitigation measures and "green" infrastructure designed to mitigate stormwater flooding and Combined Sewer Outfall (CSO) overflows in the communities where such Greenway will be

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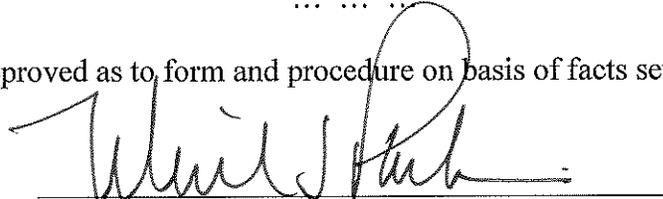
**WHEREAS**, the project will provide Township residents, employees and visitors with safe bicycle connections to the communities, parks, colleges, commerce and other destinations along the route; ease local congestion on roads; and provide a close-to-home, inexpensive venue for regular outdoor exercise.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the Township of Bloomfield formally supports the Essex Hudson Greenway project through this act of resolution; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Mayor and Council of Township of Bloomfield applauds the reuse of the Old Boonton Right of Way for the purpose of conservation and recreation and to enable the establishment and construction of a multi-use trail along the right-of-way to be known as the Essex-Hudson Greenway.

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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 November 23, 2020.



Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

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 Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

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