## TOWNSHIP OF LUMBERTON

## **RESOLUTION 2016-129**

## AUTHORIZING THE LAND USE BOARD TO UNDERTAKE A PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION AND REEVALUATE WHETHER THE REDEVELOPMENT AREA SHOULD BE EXPANDED

**WHEREAS,** the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et. seq. ("Redevelopment Law") provides a mechanism to empower and assist local governments in efforts to promote programs of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law sets forth a specific procedure for establishing an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-6 authorizes the governing body of the municipality by Resolution, to cause its Planning Board to conduct a preliminary investigation to determine whether the proposed area is an area in need of redevelopment according to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Redevelopment Area (Block 22. Lot 8.01) determination shall authorize the municipality to use all those powers provided by the Legislature for use in a Redevelopment Area including eminent domain; and , as such, the Redevelopment Area shall be established and be referred to as a "Condemnation Redevelopment Area"; and

**WHEREAS**, by Ordinance No. 1998-12, the Township Committee adopted a redevelopment plan which had previously been provided to the Lumberton Township Planning Board for its review and hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton, Burlington County, has determined that further investigation and inquiry should be made to see if said redevelopment area should be expanded pursuant to the aforementioned State Statute; and

WHEREAS, Township of Lumberton's governing body wishes to direct the Planning Board to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether the additional properties identified as and consisting of Block 22. Lot 8.01 qualify as an area in need of redevelopment pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-5; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee considers it to be in the best interest of the Township to direct its Planning Board to conduct such investigation regarding said area/properties.

LAW OFFICE
Parker McCay P.A.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Lumberton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey as follows:

- 1. The Planning Board of the Township of Lumberton is hereby directed to undertake a preliminary investigation to determine whether additional areas in Block 22, Lot 8.01 is a Condemnation Redevelopment Area such that the municipality may use all those powers provided by the Legislature for use in a Redevelopment Area, including the power of eminent domain, according to the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et seq.; and
- 2. The staff of the Planning Board and its professionals and consultants are hereby directed to assist the Planning Board in conducting the area in need of redevelopment investigation; and
- 3. The Township Deputy Municipal Clerk shall forward a copy of this Resolution to the Chairman and Secretary of the Planning Board for immediate action; and
- 4. The preliminary investigation, once completed, shall be submitted to the Township Committee for review and approval in accordance with the provisions of the Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1, et. seq.

## **CERTIFICATION**

I, Brandon E. Umba, Acting Municipal Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2016.

Brandon E. Umba

Township Administrator/ Acting Municipal Clerk