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RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE PLAN POLICY MAP IN MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP, OCEAN COUNTY

WHEREAS, pursuant to the State Planning Act, N.J.S.A. 52:18A-196 et seq. (the Act), the State Planning Commission (the Commission) has prepared and adopted a State Development and Redevelopment Plan (the State Plan) which includes a State Plan Policy Map; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is empowered, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:18A-203, to adopt rules and regulations to carry out and implement its statutory responsibilities and purposes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to its authority under N.J.S.A. 52:18A-203, the Commission has adopted regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:85-8.3 et seq., that establish a process for amendments to the State Plan Policy Map of the State Plan as a means to implement the State Plan and to foster cooperation and coordination of planning activities between State agencies and county and local governments; and

WHEREAS, on February 18, 2015 the Commission chose to initiate a State Plan Policy Map amendment to a Planning Area designation in Manchester Township, Ocean County described in the attached document entitled "Justification for State Planning Commission Initiated Minor Map Amendment" (Justification Report); and

WHEREAS, the Planning Area is proposed to be changed from a Planning Area Five (PA5) to a Planning Area Two (PA2) on portions of Block 30, Lots 1.01 and 1.02 and Block 52, Lots 2 and 4; and

WHEREAS, public notice of the hearing concerning the proposed map amendment was made pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:85-1.7(b) where the above referenced document was referenced and made available; and

WHEREAS, after public notice was made the required public hearing was held on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at the Manchester Township Civic Center, 1 Colonial Drive, Manchester, NJ. A copy of the Justification Report and associated exhibits were made available for public inspection in the New Jersey Department of State, Office for Planning Advocacy, 225 West State Street, P.O. Box 820, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0820 and was also available electronically on the Office of Planning Advocacy's website; and

WHEREAS, the public was given the opportunity to comment orally, and in written form until May 21, 2015; and

WHEREAS, several members of the public attended the public hearing and made comments for and against the proposed map change; and

WHEREAS, three written comments were received by the Office for Planning Advocacy and are part of the public record on the Office for Planning Advocacy web site; and

WHEREAS, the Manchester Township Council passed Resolution #15-177 on May 11, 2015, urging the Commission to approve the proposed map change; and

WHEREAS, staff made adjustments to the initially proposed boundary based on comments received and proximity to a stream corridor; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission hereby agrees to authorize a State Plan Policy Map amendment from a Planning Area Five (PA5) to a Planning Area Two (PA2) on portions of Block 30, lots 1.01 and 1.02 and Block 52, lots 2 and 4 based on the justification provided in the attached document entitled "Justification for State Planning Commission Initiated Minor Map Amendment" which document is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the members of the Commission and the Director and staff of the Office for Planning Advocacy are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents and to take such other actions as may be necessary or appropriate for the implementation of this resolution.