

RESOLUTION 2021-112

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WHEREAS, Plan Endorsement is a voluntary review process developed by the State Planning Commission to provide the technical assistance and coordination of the State for municipalities, counties and regional agencies to meet the goals of the State Planning Act and the State Development and Redevelopment Plan ("State Plan"); and

WHEREAS, the purposed of the Plan Endorsement process is to increase the degree of consistency among municipal, county, regional and state agency plans with each other and with the State Plan, and to facilitate the implementation of these plans to guide where and how development and redevelopment can be accommodated in accordance with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines incorporate, and: expand upon, the principles of the Municipal Land Use Law in order to help municipalities plan for a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines require the preparation and submission of a Municipal Self-Assessment (MSA) Report as the means by which a municipality assesses the consistency of its existing community vision and planning documents with the State Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines require citizen participation in the Plan Endorsement process; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Commercial intends to utilize its Environmental Commission/ Green Team, along with additional citizen members and township committee members, to organize a Team that will formally act as the Township of Commercial's Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee, as stated in the MSA; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:85-7.13 provides that any endorsement may be revoked if the New Jersey Office of Planning Advocacy determines that the Township of Commercial has made substantial changes to its endorsed plans so that the plans of the Township of Commercial are no longer consistent with the State Development and Redevelopment Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Commercial formally state the intention of the Township of Commercial to pursue Plan Endorsement by the State Planning Commission; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the firm of Remington & Vernick Engineers is hereby authorized to submit the Municipal Self-Assessment to the State Office of Planning Advocacy for consideration and review as part of the effort to pursue Plan Endorsement on behalf of the Township of Commercial.

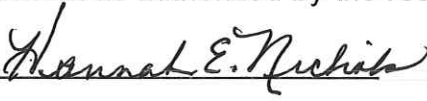
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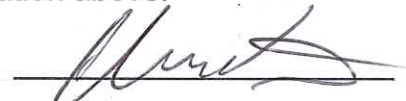
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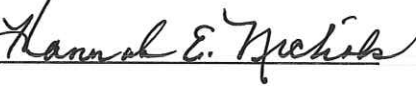
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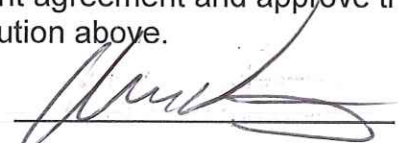
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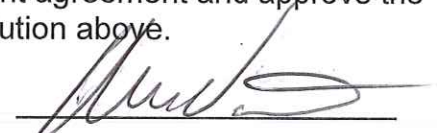
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