



State of New Jersey
STATE HOUSE COMMISSION
State House
Trenton, New Jersey 08625

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 20, 2017

TO: Kimberly M. Guadagno, Lt. Governor/Secretary of State

FROM: Robert J. Shaughnessy, Jr., Secretary *RJS*

SUBJECT: **MEETING NOTICE - UPDATED**

Pursuant to the Open Public Meetings' Act, there will be an upcoming meeting of the State House Commission. A date for this meeting has yet to be determined but it will not take place earlier than thirty (30) days from the date above.

At this meeting the State House Commission will consider for approval the adoption of resolutions relating to Green Acres hearings under the "Old Business" section of its agenda. A copy of the proposed resolutions is attached to this Public Notice. The full agenda has not been finalized but will be published at a later date.

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RESOLUTIONS OF THE STATE HOUSE COMMISSION FOR ADOPTION OF PROCEDURES PURSUANT TO
N.J.S.A. 52:31-1.1

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 52:31-1.1 (the "Act") requires that the State House Commission hold public hearings ("Green Acres Hearings") for certain Green Acres conveyances ("Green Acres Conveyances") in those instances where the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection ("NJDEP") must also conduct these hearings; and

WHEREAS, the State House Commission must conduct the Green Acres Hearings at least ninety (90) days prior to considering an application for a Green Acres Conveyance for approval and shall provide at least thirty (30) days advance notice of a Green Acres Hearing; and

WHEREAS, the State House Commission also must provide at least thirty (30) days advance notice for any Green Acres Conveyance application that was the subject of a Green Acres Hearing and which is to be considered for approval at a State House Commission meeting; and

WHEREAS, the State House Commission has reviewed the procedures set forth in the Act as well as those procedures set forth in N.J.S.A. 13:1D-51 et seq. (commonly referred to as the "Ogden Rooney Act") regarding Green Acres Conveyances; and

WHEREAS, the State House Commission has considered various options for effectuating the Green Acres Hearings it is required to conduct; and

WHEREAS, the State House Commission has also discussed the designation of a Commission or staff member to attend the Green Acres Hearings.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the State House Commission to adopt the following resolutions:

1. For those Green Acres Conveyances for which the NJDEP has not yet conducted its hearing required by the Ogden Rooney Act, the State House Commission shall conduct a Green Acres Hearing for Green Acres Conveyances to be presented to the Commission for approval by holding the Green Acres Hearing at the same time and place as the NJDEP conducts its hearing required by the Ogden Rooney Act at the offices of NJDEP or at a location otherwise selected by NJDEP in Trenton, New Jersey. The State House Commission shall also (i) coordinate the mailing of the notices and the scheduling of the hearing with NJDEP in compliance with the statutorily required time periods and (ii) notify its members of this hearing by providing reasonable advance notice.
2. For those Green Acres Conveyances for which the NJDEP has already conducted its public hearings pursuant to the Ogden Rooney Act, if any, the State House Commission itself shall conduct a Green Acres Hearing prior to presenting the Green Acres Conveyance to the State

House Commission for approval by holding a separate hearing at the State House or other location in Trenton, New Jersey. The State House Commission shall also (i) arrange for the mailing of the notices and the scheduling of the hearing in compliance with the statutorily required time periods and (ii) notify its members of this hearing by providing reasonable advance notice.

3. The State House Commission hereby approves the Commission secretary as its designee to attend the hearing conducted together with NJDEP. The secretary will be entitled to fully participate in the hearing and shall report his or her findings to the Commission at a subsequent meeting, if any, when the Commission is requested to approve the particular Green Acres Conveyance as presented by the NJDEP to the extent a transcript is not included in the NJDEP application submission or otherwise made available to the Commission. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any member of the State House Commission is invited to attend any of the Green Acres Hearings as well. Any attending members will be entitled to fully participate in the hearing and shall report his or her findings to the Commission at a subsequent meeting.
4. These resolutions shall become effective immediately.

DATED:
