MEETING OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY PLANNING BOARD
Middlesex County Administration Building
75 Bayard Street; New Brunswick, NJ 08901
Tuesday, February 14, 2017
MINUTES

Chairman Vaughn called the meeting of the Planning Board to order at 3:30 p.m. in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. He invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance and to observe a moment of silence. Mr. Vaughn then invited Mrs. Amy Petrocelli, Clerk of the Board of Chosen Freeholders to administer the Oath of Office to reappoint Mr. Thomas Pollando, Borough of Sayreville for a three-year term as Member of the Middlesex County Planning Board, and the Oath of Office to reappoint Mr. Erik Wong, Piscataway Township for a three-year term as Alternate Member of the Middlesex County Planning Board.
The Secretary called the roll and declared that there was a quorum.

Those Present:
Mr. Matthew M. Vaughn, Chairman
Mr. Thomas Pollando, Vice Chairman
Freeholder Charles E. Tomaro
Mr. Richard Wallner, County Engineer
Mr. Erik Wong, Alternate
Steven D. Cahn, Esq., Counsel
Mrs. Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

Not Present:
Freeholder Director Ronald G. Rios
Mr. Jason Friedman
Ms. Rani Goomer
Mr. William Thomas

Also Present
Mr. George M. Ververides, Director, Office of Planning
Ms. Mirah Becker, Supervisor, Comprehensive Planning, Parks and the Environment

I. Administration and Spatial Data Services: Mr. Thomas Pollando

Minutes - February 14, 2017 Meeting : Mr. Wong moved, seconded by Mr. Wallner, to accept the Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Mr. Ververides stated that the Financial Report is in line with the budget. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Pollando. Motion carried. Committee Report: None.

Communications: The Clerk presented a Commemorative Resolution in connection with the retirement of long-time Board member, Vincent R. Martino, a copy of which will be filed with these Minutes. Mr. Pollando moved to accept the Resolution, seconded by Mr. Wong. On roll call, Freeholder Tomaro and Messrs. Pollando, Wallner, Wong and Vaughn voted Aye. The Resolution was signed previously by all members of the Planning Board.

II. Environment: Mr. Jason Friedman

Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Committee Report for February was contained in the folder. In connection with the Water Quality Planning activities, she stated that staff met with the New Jersey Department ofr Environmental Protection regarding the $100,000 grant contract to undertake

the development of a complete wastewater management plan. A Scope of Work includes directions for what tables, charts, and graphs the consultant must update and create, and those that will be done in-house. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Pollando. Motion carried.

III. Transportation: Mr. Richard Wallner

Committee Report:Mr. Ververides stated that the Committee Report for February was contained in the folder. Staff received a copy of correspondence between Walter Stochel, Middlesex Greenway Coalition, and Amtrak on the proposal to integrate the portion of the Amtrak transmission (where the lines are now underground) between John Street and Oakwood Avenue as part of the Middlesex Greenway connecting to Roosevelt Park. In prior correspondence to Walter Stochel, Amtrak indicated that it is considering the proposal although no determination has been made. Amtrak requires that if the utility corridor becomes part of the Greenway, Amtrak will not incur any potential liabilities resulting from public use, that Middlesex County will provide routine maintenance of the property, and that Amtrak would retain unfettered access to the underground cables if ever needed. Staff contacted Rick Lear and responded to Walter Stochel that Middlesex County is evaluating the proposal. Messrs. Wallner and Wong moved to accept the report. Motion carried.

IV. Development Review: Mr. Matthew M. Vaughn

Committee Report: Mr. Ververides stated that the Committee Report for February was contained in the folder. During the month of January, the Committee acted on 52 development requests. Total monetary values received through subdivision and site plan applications amounted to $82,676 for the current year to date, as opposed to $105,072 for the same period in 2016. Mr. Wong moved to accept the report, seconded by Mr. Pollando. Motion carried.

V. Comprehensive Planning: Ms. Rani Goomer*

Committee Report: Ms. Becker stated that the Committee Report for February was contained in the folder. With regard to the J.B. Heatherwood Farms in Monroe, the surveyor provided the preliminary map, metes and bounds descriptions, and lot closure reports to the CADB for review, after which requested Counsel to begin preparing the Deed of Easement and Affidavit of Title documents then be submitted to the SADC for its review. In connection with the Estate of Anthony Zimbicki, Sr., the SADC issued Green Light approval to this County PIG application, allowing for this appraisal process to begin. As such, the CADB staff requested a Resolution from the Board of Chosen Freeholders to officially forward this property to the MCIA for due diligence appraisals, contract, survey and title work. After approval, the MCIA can publish RFPs. Messrs. Wong and Pollano moved to accept the report. Carried.
***CADB: County Agriculture Development Board; SADC: State Agriculture Development Committee; MCIA: Middlesex County Improvement Authority; PIG: Planning Incentive Grant**

VI. Other Matters: None. VII. Public Comments: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:58 p.m. on motions by Messrs Wong and Pollando.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Dorothy K. Power, Secretary

DATED: March 5, 2017