

**RESOLUTION NO: 2016-19**

**RESOLUTION TO MEMORIALIZE THE ADOPTION OF THE MASTER PLAN  
RE- EXAMINATION REPORT AND AMENDMENTS TO THE MASTER PLAN OF  
THE TOWNSHIP OF ELK BY THE PLANNING BOARD OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF ELK**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Municipal Land Use Law 40:55D-89, a reexamination of the master plan and development regulations must be completed at least once every ten (10) years from the previous reexamination; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing Master Plan for the Township of Elk was adopted in 1978 and periodically reexamined thereafter. A re examination report was adopted in 1982, on June 17, 1999 on February 21, 2002; November 18 2004; and on April 16, 2006; and on December 16 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, a Reexamination report addressing Township land development objectives and the status of the goals set forth in the existing master plan for the Township and making recommendations for changes to the development regulations that would further achieve the original goals or address any significant changes that would occur since the last report was adopted was prepared by Candace Kanaplue, AICP, PP dated July 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, public hearings were held on July 20, 2016 regarding this reexamination report and the proposed ordinance amendments to the Master Plan and at this public meeting, the report and proposed amendments to the Master Plan were explained to the public and the public had an opportunity to comment and be heard on the Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Board considered the comments of the public, the oral presentation of its professionals and reviewed the re examination report, which report is made a part hereof; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the foregoing, the Planning Board makes the following findings:

1. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-89, a re examination report to the Master Plan of the Township of Elk specifically including amendments to the Land Use Element was prepared under the direct supervision of Candace Kanaplue, AICP, PP which report makes recommendations for changes to the Master Plan and the development regulations that will further advance the goals of the Master Plan and/or address any significant changes that have occurred since the last report was adopted.
2. In this reexamination, consideration was given to the plans for development of adjacent municipalities and communities and the State Development and Redevelopment Plan.
3. Public notice regarding the proposed Master Plan Reexamination was published in the official newspaper of the Township of Elk and was also sent certified mail to the Clerks of all adjoining municipalities including but not limited to:
  - a. Borough of Glassboro
  - b. Township of Harrison
  - c. Township of South Harrison
  - d. Township of Upper Pittsgrove
  - e. Township of Franklin
  - f. Borough of Clayton

In addition, a copy of the Reexamination report was sent with the appropriate notice to the Gloucester County Planning Board by certified mail.

4. Copies of the reexamination report for which approval was sought at the hearing were made available for public inspection at least ten (10) days before the date of the hearing.

5. At the public hearing on July 20, 2016 the findings of the re examination report were explained to the public and the public had an opportunity to be heard and comment on the report.

6. The re examination report identified certain unfulfilled objectives as set forth in the Master plan and sets forth the ongoing areas of concern for the Township in the development and usage of the lands within the Township and other such planning issues.

7. At the public hearing on July 20, 2016 proposed ordinance changes were discussed which would address these areas of concern and the text of these ordinance changes were reviewed and discussed before the public and the public had an opportunity to be heard and comment.

8. The Planning Board approved the re examination report and adopts same as amended in its entirety.

9. The Planning Board directs that the re examination report and this resolution be transmitted to the Elk Township Committee pursuant to NJSA 40:55D-26

**NOW, THEREFORE**, from the findings of fact, the testimony of all relevant parties and the evidence submitted at the public hearing, **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Elk Township Planning Board, that the Reexamination report as prepared under the direct supervision of Candace Kanaplue, AICP, PP, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is herewith adopted by the Elk Township Planning Board. The Planning Board finds that the Master Plan and the Reexamination report as prepared meets and addresses the Elk Township goals and objectives as stated therein.

**SAID MOTION WAS MADE AND ADOPTED** at the meeting of the Elk Township Planning Board on July 20, 2016

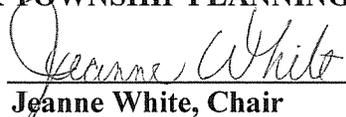
ATTEST

BY:

  
Anna Foley, Secretary

ELK TOWNSHIP PLANNING BOARD

BY:

  
Jeanne White, Chair

#### CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Elk Township Planning Board on August 17, 2016.

  
ANNA FOLEY, SECRETARY