RESOLUTION 2017-06

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST LAMPETER TOWNSHIP, LANCASTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA INITIATING THE PUBLIC PROCESS FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF THE EAST LAMPETER BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Neighborhood Improvement District Act (Act 2000-130 or "the Act"), 73 P.S. § 831 et seq., was established by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and authorizes the Board of Supervisors ("the Board") of East Lampeter Township ("the Township") to create a business improvement district ("BID"); and

WHEREAS, a BID is a tool aimed at improving the property values, enhancing the business climate within the BID and improve the quality of life in the Township by providing supplemental services to a specified area within the Township not otherwise provided by the Township. such as branding, marketing, streetscape improvements, amenities and maintenance, wayfinding signage and maintenance, bus stop improvement and maintenance, and trees and other plantings; and

WHEREAS, among the recommendations of the Route 30 Streetscape Plan, Phase 2 adopted by the Board on May 11, 2015 as a top priority is creation of a BID; and

WHEREAS, the Act requires the Township to notify all affected property owners and allow them time to comment upon the Preliminary Plan for the proposed BID during an advertised public hearing and to revise the Final Plan accordingly, as required by the Act; and

WHEREAS, the property owners within the boundaries of the proposed BID will be given an opportunity to file objections in writing with the Township Manager within forty-five (45) days of the presentation of the Final Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD, AS FOLLOWS::

1. The Board of Supervisors of East Lampeter hereby initiates the public process required for the establishment of a BID comprised of the properties indicated on the attached Exhibit "A."

- 2. The steps of the public process are as follows:
 - a. The Township (Township Manager) will send out a correspondence with the Preliminary Plan to property owners and lessees of property owners within the proposed BID. The correspondence will include at least 30 days advance notice of a public hearing to provide comments. 73 P.S. § 835(b). Notice of the public hearing shall also be advertised at least ten days prior to the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.
 - b. The Township will hold a public hearing on the proposed BID for the purpose of receiving public comment from affected property owners within the proposed BID. 73 P.S. § 835(b)(2).
 - c. The Township will send out a correspondence with the Final Plan to property owners and lessees of property owners within the proposed BID. 73 P.S.
 § 835(d). Revisions to the Preliminary Plan, if any, shall be noted in the Final Plan.
 - d. If necessary, the Township will hold a second public hearing on the Final Plan. 73 P.S. § 835(e).
 - e. After the public hearing (first or second, depending on whether changes are made to the plan), affected property owners will be provided with 45 days to object to and disapprove of the Final Plan. Objections to the plan need to be made in writing to the Township Manager. 73 P.S. § 835(f)(1).
 - f. If 40% or more of the affected property owners within the proposed BID fail to register their disapproval of the Final Plan, the Board of Supervisors may (following the 45 day period) enact an ordinance establishing the BID. 73 P.S. § 835(f)(2).

ADOPTED this 16th day of January, 2017, by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of East Lampeter, Lancaster County Pennsylvania, in lawful session duly assembled.

TOWNSHIP OF EAST LAMPETER, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania

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Chairman

Secretary

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