

# RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

*Morris County, New Jersey*

No. R-38-14

Date of Adoption: February 17, 2014

**Title or Subject: RESOLUTION OF TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ, REQUESTING NEW JERSEY HIGHLANDS COUNCIL COOPERATION AND PLANNING ASSISTANCE IN THE MATTER OF A HIGHLANDS REDEVELOPMENT AREA DESIGNATION FOR NJ HIGHLANDS PRESERVATION AREA LANDS ADJACENT TO AND NEAR NJ STATE HIGHWAY ROUTE 46 INCLUDING TAX BLOCK 3.09, LOT 6**

**WHEREAS**, Washington Township is designated in the Highlands Region of New Jersey and includes both Highlands Preservation Area and Planning Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the contract purchaser of property designated Block 3.09, Lot 6, an undeveloped parcel of land located in the Highlands Preservation Area, has approached Washington Township requesting planning assistance and a zoning change to permit the development of this parcel of land with a gasoline station and convenience store; and

**WHEREAS**, Washington Township is desirous of receiving a NJ Highlands Redevelopment Area designation from the NJ Highlands Council for future development of Highlands Preservation lands situated along the NJ State Highway Route 46 corridor including Block 3.09, Lot 6; and

**WHEREAS**, Washington Township recognizes Block 3.09, Lot 4 is another undeveloped parcel similarly situated in the NJ Highlands Preservation Area on NJ State Highway Route 46 in close proximity to Lot 4 that may benefit from the designation of a Highlands Redevelopment Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Highlands Redevelopment Area designation is not a "Redevelopment Area" designation that a municipality may designate under N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., the NJ Local Redevelopment and Housing Law (LRHL), and the Highlands Redevelopment Area designation is an entirely separate and distinct designation from and bears no relationship to a redevelopment area designated pursuant to the LRHL.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Washington, County of Morris, that the Township hereby requests NJ Highlands Council cooperation and planning assistance in the matter of a Highlands Redevelopment Area designation for land adjacent to NJ State Highway Route 46 situated in the NJ Highlands Preservation Area including Block 3.09, Lot 6 and other similarly situated lands on NJ State Highway Route 46; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township hereby authorizes the Planning Board and its professionals to take actions necessary to coordinate and plan a proposed Highlands Redevelopment Area designation with the Highlands Council as described herein.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

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Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk

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Kenneth W. Short, Mayor

*I, Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Township Committee held on February 17, 2014.*

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Nina DiGregorio, Township Clerk

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Date