

ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAKEWOOD, COUNTY OF OCEAN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE AND EXECUTION OF A DEED OF A FEE SIMPLE INTEREST TO THE COUNTY OF OCEAN FOR BLOCK 961.02 LOT 4 AND BLOCK 961.02 LOT 3

WHEREAS, the Township of Lakewood is the owner of Block 961.02 Lot 4 and Block 961.02 Lot 3, fronting on portions of Pine Street, Vine Street and Cedar Bridge Avenue in the westernmost portion of the DA-1 (Cedarbridge Redevelopment) Zone not subject to the Option previously granted to Cedarbridge Redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, this property is comprised of approximately 140 acres of freshwater wetlands and transition buffer, and is encumbered by conservation easements, specifically a Grant of Conservation Restriction for Forest and Riparian Zone Preservation Areas to the New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection recorded at OR Book 16963 Page 1729 in the Ocean County Clerk's Office on December 8, 2017; and

WHEREAS, said Grant of Conservation Restriction to the D.E.P. permits the transfer of same, provided the restrictions are incorporated into the transfer documents; and

WHEREAS, Ocean County has reviewed a proposed acquisition of this property and has requested the sale thereof to the county for a purchase price of \$1,030,000.00; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12-13(b)(1) and 40A:12-13.4, the Township Committee may, by ordinance, sell or transfer any real property, capital improvements or personal property not needed for its public use at a private sale to any political subdivision, agency, department, commission, board, or body corporate and politic; and

WHEREAS, the Township is satisfied that the granting by way of a deed to Ocean County is in the best interest of the residents of Lakewood Township.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood, County of Ocean and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. The Mayor or Deputy Mayor is authorized to execute and the Township Clerk to attest to a Contract of Sale, Deed and other related documents transferring title to Block 961.02 Lot 4 and Block 961.02 Lot 3 for a consideration of \$1,030,000.00 (with all applicable restrictions as set forth in the Grant of Conservation Restriction to the D.E.P. as set forth above and as set forth in said instrument) to the County of Ocean in a form and substance as approved by the Township Attorney.

SECTION 2. That this ordinance repeals any inconsistent ordinance or ordinances or part or parts thereof.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood, in the County of Ocean and State of New Jersey on **November 14, 2019**, and was then read for the first time. The said Ordinance will be further considered for final passage by the Township Committee in the Town Hall at 5:30 p.m. on **December 5, 2019**. At such time and place or any time or place to which said meeting may be adjourned, all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance.

Kathryn Hutchinson, RMC, CMC, CMR
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Steven Secare, Township Clerk of the Township of Lakewood, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and exact copy of the ordinance which was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Lakewood at a meeting held on **December 5, 2019** at 5:30 P.M., at the Municipal Building, located at 231 Third Street, Lakewood, NJ 08701.

Steven Secare, Esq.
Township Attorney