# METUCHEN PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

#### March 17, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Eric Erickson, Chairman, who read the statement in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Present: Ellen Clarkson, Vice Chairperson Jonathan Lifton

Alan Grossman James Griffin

Councilmember Koskoski

Melissa Perilstein, Administrator

Jonathan Busch, Mayor

William Love, Mayor's Designee

Christopher Cosenza, Plant

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Absent: Lynn Nowak

Michael Alvarez, Alt. I

Patricia Kaulfers, Zoning Official

### **RESOLUTION(S):**

21-13131 Metuchen III, LLC – (Applicant is seeking preliminary, final and major site plan approval with variances and waivers to construct a day care facility of approximately 12,870 square feet). Appv. 2.17.22 215 Durham Avenue Block 71 Lots: 37.02

Mr. Renaud made the announcement that Applicant's Attorney had requested an extension for review of the Resolution and it was granted. Memorialization of the Resolution will be placed on the April 7<sup>th</sup> Agenda.

#### PRESENTATION: Amended Gulton Redevelopment Plan / LRK

Mr. Cosenza informed the Board that the Borough Council, at their March 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, had introduced an Ordinance to consider adoption of the Amended Gulton Redevelopment Plan. It is the role of the Planning Board to review the Amended Plan for its consistency to the Master Plan. The initial Plan was adopted in September 2021 and found to be consistent with the Borough's Master Plan. The amendment pertains to the overall framework and boundaries of the original Redevelopment Plan.

Ms. Koskoski stated that there will be an open house on March 24th, at Metuchen High School, 7:00pm – 10:00pm, when a short presentation will be given by LRK. Various stations will be made available to the public to provide additional information on the areas to be developed.

Mayor Busch mentioned that the presentations would specifically be tailored to Metuchen with public participation encouraged.

Mr. Renaud stated that the Governing Body must adopt an Ordinance for the Amendment, and the Planning Board is to review the Ordinance for consistency with the Master Plan. There is a Resolution prepared by the Redevelopment Council for the Planning Board's approval if it is determined that the Amendment is consistent.

Mr. Erickson opened the floor to the public, hearing no response, the floor was closed.

Motion to approve the Resolution was made by Mr. Griffin and seconded by Mr. Grossman. Ms. Clarkson, Mr. Grossman, Councilmember Koskoski, Ms. Perilstein, Mayor Busch, Mr. Lifton, Mr. Griffin, Ms. Cohn and Mr. Erickson voted yes. Motion approved.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

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Motion to approve was made Ms. Koskoski and was seconded by Mr. Grossman. With one abstention by Mayor Busch, a voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Clarkson and was seconded by Ms. Koskoski. Voice vote, with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58pm.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Hamilton, Secretary