

Mayor Nolan offered the following resolution and moved on its adoption:

R-14-112

RESOLUTION DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING PLANNING BOARD
REEXAMINATION OF THE ENTIRE MASTER PLAN AND EXTENDING THE REVIEW
PERIOD TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has the statutory power to prepare a Master Plan, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-28; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-89, a municipality is required, at least once every ten (10) years, to provide for a general reexamination of the Master Plan and development ordinance, the results of which are to be documented in a report prepared and adopted by the Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, it has been ____ years since the last reexamination of the Borough's Master Plan, and a reexamination is appropriate at this time to address substantial changes in development trends and real estate market conditions, new redevelopment plans and amendments, and as a result of Hurricane Sandy, the damage it caused and its effects on future development, among other things; and

WHEREAS, it is also appropriate to review and update the individual elements of the Master Plan at this time; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated March 14, 2014 from its Counsel, the Highlands Planning Board requested that the proposed review of the Master Plan by the Board be expanded to include a review of the entire Master Plan and the adopted of a new Master Plan due to the massive damage the Borough suffered as a result of Hurricane Sandy; and

WHEREAS, the Board also requested to extend the review period in order to consider the results of numerous studies being conducted by various governmental agencies and Rutgers University related to Hurricane Sandy recovery and rebuilding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IS RESOLVED that the governing body of the Borough of Highlands:

(1) directs and authorizes the Highlands Planning Board to undertake a general reexamination of the Master Plan, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-89, subject to funding appropriation; and

(2) hereby grants the request of the Planning Board as stated in its counsel's March 14, 2014 correspondence, incorporated herein by reference, including a review of the entire Master Plan and extending the review period until September 1, 2014, subject to funding appropriation.

Seconded by Mr. Redmond and adopted on the following roll call vote:

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Ms. Ryan, Mr. Redmond, Mr. Francy, Ms. Kane, Mayor Nolan

NAYE: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

DATE: April 16, 2014

Carolyn Cummins, Borough Clerk

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of Resolution R-14-112 adopted by the Governing Body of the Borough of Highlands on April 16, 2014.

Borough Clerk/Deputy Clerk