

**BOROUGH OF RED BANK
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH
RESOLUTION NO. 21-334**

**A RESOLUTION CREATING A PLAN ENDORSEMENT CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TO GUIDE THE BOROUGH THROUGH THE STATE PLANNING COMMISSION'S
PLAN ENDORSEMENT PROCESS**

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Red Bank (the "Borough") desire to obtain Plan Endorsement from the State Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Plan Endorsement is a voluntary review process developed by the State Planning Commission to provide the technical assistance and coordination of the State for municipalities, counties, and regional agencies to meet the goals of the State Planning Act and State Development and Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Act recognizes that coordination of State action is necessary to help municipalities develop New Jersey's economy while protecting the natural, historic and recreational resources, providing adequate and diverse housing, and redeveloping our cities and older suburban areas; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Plan Endorsement process is to increase the degree of consistency among municipal, county, regional and state agency plans with each other and with the State Plan and to facilitate the implementation of these plans with the primary focus on where and how development and redevelopment can be accommodated in accordance with the State Plan; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines establish a comprehensive and coordinated planning process in order for a municipality to consider, and update as necessary, master plans, functional plans, development regulations and capital plans to be consistent with the State Plan and achieve plan endorsement; and

WHEREAS, through plan endorsement, master plans, functional plans, development regulations and capital plans should be coordinated and supportive of each other; and

WHEREAS, the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines incorporate, and expand upon, the principles of the Municipal Land Use Law in order to help towns plan for a sustainable future; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Endorsement Guidelines and State Planning Rules require the appointment of a Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee to guide the municipality through the Plan Endorsement process; and

WHEREAS, the Plan Endorsement Guidelines allow municipalities which have established Green Teams to permit that municipality's Green Team to serve as the Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Borough of Red Bank, County of Monmouth, State of New Jersey, hereby approves and adopts the following:

1. The Borough of Red Bank hereby establishes a Plan Endorsement Citizens' Advisory Committee under the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines; and
2. The Borough of Red Bank hereby designates the members of its existing Green Team as the Borough's Plan Endorsement Advisory Committee; and
3. The Citizens' Advisory Committee shall report findings and conclusions of its actions pursuant to the State Planning Rules and Plan Endorsement Guidelines, and make recommendations to the Planning Board on next steps, but shall have no power to vote or take other action required of the Planning Board; and
4. The Citizens' Advisory Committee shall also report to the Governing Body at least quarterly on the status of plan endorsement; and
5. The Citizen Advisory Committee shall be entitled to call to its assistance any personnel of any municipal department or consultant thereto as it may require in order to perform its duties; and
6. The Citizens' Advisory Committee is established for the purpose of guiding the plan endorsement process for the municipality, and increasing public awareness of, and participation in, the plan endorsement. The Citizens' Advisory Committee is established for the purpose of:
 - A. Guiding the plan endorsement process for the municipality;
 - B. Increasing public awareness of, and participation in, the plan endorsement process for the community;
 - C. Serving as the liaison with the state, county, regional agencies and local officials throughout the plan endorsement process;
 - D. Assisting the municipality in meeting the deadlines of plan endorsement;
 - E. Take the lead on completing the municipal self-assessment and submitting the required planning documents to the Office of Smart Growth;
 - F. Helping to facilitate community visioning as described in the Plan Endorsement Guidelines and community visioning standards;
 - G. Reporting the findings and conclusions of the self-assessment and community visioning to the local planning board for its review; and
 - H. Negotiating a draft Action Plan with the Office of Smart Growth, in collaboration with the planning board and governing body, to consist of actions that should be taken to adopt and/or update plans, ordinances and regulations in order to meet the plan endorsement requirements; and

- I. Facilitating completion of the Action Plan items in order to achieve endorsement by the State Planning Commission and enjoy the benefits available to the municipality as a result of the endorsed plan.

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Borough of Red Bank shall transmit a copy of this resolution and the notice as required in the State Planning Rules to the State Planning Commission.

	Motion	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilman Yassin		X			
Councilwoman Triggiano	Motion	X			
Councilman Ballard		X			
Councilman Yngstrom	Second	X			
Councilman Ziprich		X			
Councilwoman Horgan		X			

Dated: December 15, 2021

I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Council of the Borough of Red Bank, in the County of Monmouth, at a meeting held on December 15, 2021.

Pamela Borghi

Pamela Borghi, Municipal Clerk