

Ordinance 2018-07

*BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY*

ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF HIGHTSTOWN, IN THE COUNTY OF MERCER APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR MAIN STREET REDEVELOPMENT AREA

WHEREAS, pursuant to the New Jersey Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 *et seq.* (the “Redevelopment Law”), by Resolution 2003-19 duly adopted on December 1, 2003, the Borough Council (“Borough Council”) of the Borough of Hightstown (the “Borough”) designated the properties known as Block 54, Lots 6-10, 13, 14.01, 16.01 & 23; Block 40, Lots 14-28; Block 33, Lots 1-30 & 32-36; Block 30, Lots 1-13; Block 28, Lots 56 & 57; and Block 21, Lots 1-14 & 26 on the Borough’s tax map (collectively, the “Redevelopment Area”), as an “area in need of redevelopment”; and

WHEREAS, a revised redevelopment plan (“Redevelopment Plan”) containing development standards for that portion of the Redevelopment Area which is known as Sub-Area I (Bank Street) was adopted by Ordinance Number 2015-04 of the Borough Council on April 20, 2015, which revised those redevelopment plans for the Redevelopment Area previously adopted by the Borough on September 7, 2004, October 2, 2006 and October 6, 2008, and which was subsequently further amended by ordinance adopted March 6, 2017; and

WHEREAS, on March 10, 2017, the Borough and RBG Hightstown, LLC (the “Redeveloper”) entered into that certain Amended and Restated Redevelopment Agreement (the “Redevelopment Agreement”), pursuant to which, among other things, the Redeveloper agreed to redevelop the portion of the Redevelopment Area consisting of Block 30, Lots 1-7, Block 30, Lots 10-13, and Block 21, Lots 1-13 & 26 on the Borough’s tax map (collectively, the “Original Project Area”), which constitutes part of Sub-Area I (Bank Street), by constructing thereon a mixed-use project (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the Redeveloper expressed a desire to also redevelop the parcel designated on the Borough’s tax map as Block 21, Lot 20 (the “Additional Property”), located directly adjacent to the Original Project Area, in order to effectively access the Project; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2018, the Borough Council adopted a resolution designating the Additional Property as an area in need of redevelopment

WHEREAS, the Borough Council now desires to amend the Redevelopment Plan to also apply to the Additional Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of Borough of Hightstown, in the County of Mercer and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Redevelopment Plan shall also apply to Block 21, Lot 20, which shall be part of “Sub-Area I (Bank Street)”, notwithstanding the fact that maps and figures contained therein do not depict such parcel or that the narrative descriptions of the area governed by THE Redevelopment Plan do not include the Additional Property. The standards and other provisions set forth in the Redevelopment Plan applicable to Sub-Area I (Bank Street) shall also apply to the Additional Property.

Section 3. If any part(s) of this ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such part(s) shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall not affect the remaining parts of this ordinance.

Section 4. All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

Section 5. A copy of this ordinance shall be forwarded to the Secretary of the Planning Board for action consistent herewith.

Section 6. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with applicable law.

Introduced:

Adopted:

Debra L. Sopronyi
Municipal Clerk

Lawrence D. Quattrone
Mayor