

EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

CHESTER COUNTY, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, TO ADOPT THE PARKS RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE PLAN OF EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA DATED APRIL 2017, WHICH COMPRISES A CHAPTER OF THE EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS: INTRODUCTION; INVENTORY; GOALS AND OBJECTIVES; PLAN FOR OPEN SPACE; PLAN FOR TRAILS; PARK AND RECREATION FACILITIES ANALYSIS; RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES; ORGANIZATION, MANAGEMENT AND FINANCING; IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES; AND APPENDIX CONTAINING RESOLUTION 2011-14, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT AND MAPS.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township adopted an Open Space, Recreation and Environmental Resources Plan dated December 1992 (the “1992 Open Space Plan”) on December 21, 1992 in accordance with Article III of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Act 247; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township adopted the Township Comprehensive Plan in May 2003; and

WHEREAS, in 2012 the Northern Federation of Chester County Communities, of which East Coventry Township is a member, prepared a Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan (the “2012 Open Space Plan”); and

WHEREAS, East Coventry Township adopted the 2012 Open Space Plan on April 10, 2012 as a chapter of the East Coventry Township Comprehensive Plan and said 2012 Open Space Plan amended and replaced in its entirety the 1992 Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, Natural Lands Trust, as Township Planner for East Coventry Township (“NLT”), and Toole Recreation Planning (“TRP”) were engaged by East Coventry Township to prepare an updated Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan as a chapter of the East Coventry Township Comprehensive Plan with the intention that it amend and replace in its entirety the 2012 Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, NLT and TRP worked closely with a citizen task force to prepare the East Coventry Township Chester County, PA Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan dated April 2017 (the “2017 Open Space Plan”) and conducted a number of public meetings on the 2017 Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Open Space Plan was submitted for review and comment to the East Coventry Township Planning Commission and the Township Planning Commission conducted two (2) public meetings to discuss and provide comments on the 2017 Open Space Plan; and

WHEREAS, the East Coventry Township Board of Supervisors authorized conducting a public hearing on the 2017 Open Space Plan and public notice of the public hearing was provided in accordance with Article 107 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Act 247; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Open Space Plan was submitted for review and comment to the Chester County Planning Commission, the Pottstown Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission, the Owen J. Roberts School District, and to all of the contiguous municipalities as required by Article 302 of the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, Act 247; and

WHEREAS, the forty-five (45) day period for review and comment having been met and the Board of Supervisors having held a public hearing on June 12, 2017 to take public comments on the proposed 2017 Open Space Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

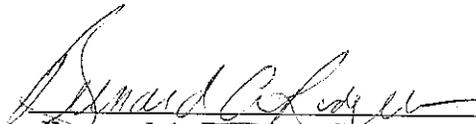
1. The Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the 2017 Open Space Plan, a true and complete copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A", which shall be made a part of the East Coventry Township Comprehensive Plan. The 2017 Open Space Plan consists of the following sections: Introduction; Inventory; Goals and Objectives; Plan for Open Space; Plan for Trails; Park and Recreation Facilities Analysis; Recreation Opportunities; Organization, Management and Financing; Implementation Strategies; and Appendix containing Resolution 2011-14, Public Participation Report and Maps.

2. The 2017 Open Space Plan hereby amends and replaces in its entirety the 2012 Open Space Plan.

APPROVED this 12th day of June, 2017, by the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township.

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Attest:


Bernard A. Rodgers, Secretary

By:


**Ray A. Kolb, Chairman
Board of Supervisors**