ORDINANCE NO. 2023-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRISTOL, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA VACATING A PORTION OF WATSON AVENUE BETWEEN NORTON AVENUE AND PLYMOUTH AVENUE

- WHEREAS, Bristol Township is a municipality located in the County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and organized and existing pursuant to the Pennsylvania First Class Township Code; and
- WHEREAS, the Council of the Township of Bristol (the "Council") is empowered under the First Class Township Code, 53 P.S. Section 57001, et seq. to vacate streets within the Township; and
- WHEREAS, following the Petition for Vacation of Township Street, filed by MBID of Delaware, LLC c/o Ingerman Development, LLC, and a review of the Petition by the Township's Engineer, the Council wishes to vacate a portion of Watson Avenue, a public street in the Township, where it lies between Norton Avenue and Plymouth, adjacent to the parcels of property owned by the Petitioner; and
- WHEREAS, the Council believes that the vacating this portion of Watson Avenue is in the best interest of the residents of the Township; and
- WHEREAS, the Council conducted a public hearing pursuant to said Notice to receive public opinion on the issue of vacating said street; and
- WHEREAS, it has been determined that vacating said street will relieve the Township of financial responsibility and legal liability and will be a savings to the taxpayers of the Township and would not create an inconvenience to the residents of the Township and the traveling public but will result in a benefit to all residents of the Township.
- **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby **ORDAINED** and **ENACTED** by the Council of the Township of Bristol, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, as follows:
- **SECTION 1.** The Council hereby vacates a portion of Watson Avenue, a public street of the Township, which lies between Norton Avenue and Plymouth Avenue, as particularly surveyed and described in the Legal Description, which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference, and as shown on the Watson Avenue Right-of-Way Vacation Plan dated September 18, 2023 and attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and incorporated herein by reference.
- **SECTION 2.** The Township shall retain all rights to enter upon the vacated premises for the purpose of maintaining, repairing and replacing any and all existing utility lines or other necessary public purposes.
- **SECTION 3.** All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances not consistent herewith are hereby amended and/or repealed to the degree they conflict with same.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any section, clause, sentence, part or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair any of the remaining sections, clauses, sentences, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of Council that this Ordinance would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, clause, sentence, part or provision had not been included herein.

SECTION 5. The appropriate Township Officials are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents, and to advertise and post any and all notices necessary to effectuate this Ordinance.

SECTION 6. This Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its final passage by Council.

ORDAINED and ENACTED the 9th day of November 2023.

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COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRISTOL, BUCKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

BY:

Craig Bowen, President

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Ordinance enacted by the Bristol Township Council on November 9, 2023.