

ORDINANCE NO. 24-01

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER, COUNTY OF NORTHAMPTON,
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA AMENDING THE
TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER'S CODE OF CODIFIED ORDINANCES,
CHAPTER 159 SUBDIVISION AND LAND DEVELOPMENT, ARTICLE
II INTERPRETATION AND ARTICLE V PLAN REQUIREMENTS AND
REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES
INCONSISTENT HEREWITH.**

WHEREAS, The Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania (the "Board"), under the powers vested in them by the "Second Class Township Code" of Pennsylvania as well as other laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby enact and ordain the following amendments to the text of the Hanover Township Code of Codified Ordinances (the "Ordinances"); and

WHEREAS, Hanover Township (the "Township"), along with nine other municipalities are members of the Nazareth Area Council of Governments (the "NazCOG Municipalities"); and

WHEREAS, the Board adopted the Nazareth Area Multi-Municipal Comprehensive Plan Implementation Agreement (the "Agreement") at its regularly scheduled meeting on August 22, 2023 via Resolution 2023 – 26; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides that NazCOG Municipalities adopt certain amendments to their respective subdivision and land development ordinances ("SALDO"); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED, by the Board of Supervisors of Hanover Township, Northampton County, Pennsylvania as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 159 *Subdivision and Land Development*; Article II *Interpretation* § 159-6 *Definitions and word usage*, is amended to add the following:

"DEVELOPMENT OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

Any Land Development that, because of its character, magnitude or location, will have substantial effect upon the health, safety or welfare of citizens in more than one of the NazCOG Municipalities.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 159 *Subdivision and Land Development*; Article V *Plan Requirements*; § 159-29 *Preliminary Plan*; Subsection E. *Other required supporting documents* is amended to add the following:

“(10) Developers and subdividers of land must furnish either (i) a statement that the preliminary plan is not a Development of Regional Significance under the SALDO, or (ii) if it is a Development of Regional Significance, a signed letter showing the dates upon which copies of the subdivision or land development plan and supporting documentation have been delivered to each of the other NazCOG municipalities.

(a) Copies of professional reviews prepared by one of the NazCOG Municipalities shall also be forwarded to the other NazCOG Municipalities upon receipt.

(b) In acting on the subdivision and/or land development plans, the host NazCOG Municipality shall consider the comments provided by the other NazCOG Municipalities.

(11) Upon submission to the host NazCOG Municipality, the Planning Administrator or other designated Municipal staff member shall verify that plan is delivered in accordance with the SALDO definition of a Development of Regional Significance, and that the Developer has correctly executed the requirements of Subsection (10) above. If in accord, and all other Municipal submission requirements are satisfied, the developer’s plan shall be accepted for review by the Municipality.

(12) Upon receipt of a plan which is a Development of Regional Significance that was submitted to another NazCOG Municipality, the Planning Administrator shall add the plan to the

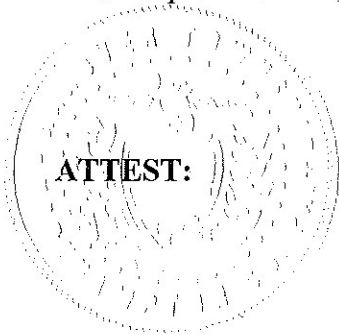
agenda of the next available Planning Commission meeting and notify the members of the Municipal governing body.”

SECTION 3. All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be severable and if any provision thereof shall be declared unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared as a legislative intent of the Township that this Ordinance would have been enacted had such unconstitutional, illegal or invalid provision(s) not been included herein.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall become effective within five (5) days of enactment.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Hanover, County of Northampton on this **9** day of **January, 2024**.



ATTEST:

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
HANOVER TOWNSHIP,
NORTHAMPTON COUNTY,
PENNSYLVANIA**

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